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#### STATEMENTS OF BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES

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Capital stock paid in. \$16,000,000,00
Burplus fund 10,000,000,00
Undivided profits. \$3,926,463,26
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National Bank of Commerce in New York Organized 1839 STATEMENT OF CONDITION

SEPTEMBER 11TH, 1917

Resources Loans and Discounts.....\$242,940,542.18 U. S. Bonds Borrowed......1,486,000.00 U. S. Certificates of Indebted-

\$406,241,364.24

Liabilities

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits ..... \$45,864,385.99

Letters of Credit and Accep-

tances ...... 36,613,943.18 Unearned Discount ...... 1,498,899.33

Other Liabilities..... \$406,241,364.24

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JAS. N. HILL,
GUY E. TRIPP,
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Directors.

THE MARKET AND FULTON

LIABILITIES \$15,777,444.40 
 Capital
 31,000,000,00

 Surplus and Profits
 2149,048,06

 Reserved for Taxes
 17,000,00

 Circulation
 111,150,00

 Acceptances
 48,564,82

 Deposits
 12,451,651,52

ALEXANDER GILBERT. 315,777,444.40
Chairman of the Board. ROBERT A. PARKER, President WILLIAM M. ROSENDALE, Cashier ALBERT D. BERRY, Asst. Cashier

HUDSON TRUST COMPANY. 'H STREET AND BROAD'
NEW YORK, N. Y.
Condensed Statement

As of the Close of Business SEPTEMBER STH, 1917. Total ......\$6,793,529.90

 
 Capital
 \$500,000.00

 Surplus and undivided profits
 656,509.25

 Reserved for taxes, &c.
 9,666.16

 Accrued interest payable
 16,648.32

 Unpaid dividends
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 Deposits
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 Circulating Notes
 4,940.200.00
 116,880,255.71

\$132,894,720.01

FULTON TRUST CO.

RESOURCES

Total .....\$10,220,439,32 LIABILITIES

 
 Capital stock
 \$500,000.00

 Surplus and undivided profits
 1.182,387.73

 Deposits
 8,492,825.07

 Other liabilities
 45,026.52
 NASSAU NATIONAL BANK OF

BROOKLYN.

Brooklyn. N. Y., Sept. 11, 1917.

RESOURCES.

Loans and investments. \$8,735,714.02
United States bonds. \$20,681.30
Bonds, securities, &6.23,873.94
Exchanges \$633,873.94
Due from banks. 498,826.79
Cash and reserve. 1,881,662.61 2,964,368.84 Total .....\$14,500,107.52

 
 Capital stock
 \$1,000,009.00

 Surplus and profits
 1,1.0.537.78

 Reserve for taxes
 9,808.8

 Circulation
 60,000.00

 Deposits
 12,289,569.58
 

TRANSATLANTIC TRUST CO.

67 William St., New York City. 
 RESOURCES.

 Cash and Due from Banks.
 \$3,544,446,54

 Public Securities
 \$24,229,30

 Stocks and Bonds
 \$947,584,62

 Loans
 2,753,218,52

Total ... .......\$8,029,979.04 LIABILITIES
Capital \$ 700,000.00
Surplus \$ 400,000,00
Undivided Profits 63,355.64
Reserved for Taxes, Etc. 232,284,334,95

Total \$3,028,578.64

JULIUS PIRNITZER, President.
H. B. FONDA, Vice President.
GEO. PLOCHMANN, Treasurer.
E. S. CUEBERLNI, Asst. Treas.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE NATIONAL CITY BANK,

of New York, at New York, in the State of New York, at the close of business September 11, 1917. RESOURCES. RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts ... \$407,791,014.97

Customers' liability under letters of credit ... 3,447,219.19

Customers' liability account of 'noceptances' (8,242,285,98

Liability of foreign banks on acceptances to create dollar exchange ... 447,888,48

Country checks and other cash items 1,273,630.74
Cash in vault. 7,135,477.47
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank 101,174,006.04
Gold bullion 5,485,35
Redemption fund and due from U. S. Treasurer. 160,210.60 1,273,680.74

160,210.00 Total ......\$697,691,076,38

LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in...... \$25,000,000,000

602,260,436,91 4,544,700,00 U. S. bonds borrowed.

Time bills of exchange drawn by this bank payable abroad.
Letters of credit and travelers' checks

Acceptances executed for customers

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I, THOS. A. REYNOLDS, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is tage to the best of my knowledge and helief.

THOS. A. REYNOLDS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of September, 1917.

Notary Public New York Co., 181.

Correct—Attest:
JOHN W. STERLING,
WM. ROCKEPFELLER,
FRANK TRUMBULL.

Directors.

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A Price We Should Be Glad to Pay JULY exports fell off some \$200,000,000 from the mark set in June, a drop of more than 33 per cent. from June's total of approximately \$575,000,000, and a truly tremendous decrease to have occurred within one month. Yet American business should view it with equanimity, even with satisfaction; certainly without complaint.

Shortage of bottoms in which commodities might be conveyed surely is reflected in this large drop; other contributing causes must be represented in it, but the chief cause of the \$200,000,000 lessening of America's export business was undoubtedly the operation of the Federal embargo which became effective on July 15.

Under this the export of a wide range of commodities was forbidden to many countries and severely restricted to others. Practically every nation in the world was affected, but especially that northern group of Governments which, though not openly avowing it, have, none the less, been valued allies of the Central Powers. From these nations which maintained business relations with Germany, either through apparent, though to us completely incomprehensible, liking for German methods and German ideals, or through apprehension, inseparable from contiguous frontiers and sedulously fostered by Germany, the Teutonic Powers have obtained food stuffs, steel, oil, chemicals, and the thousand and one munitions without which, it is probable, they would long since have been compelled to make a peace.

To the extent that America's lost business represents this trade which has enabled Germany to maintain a strong front to her opponents, the loss should be borne with hardihood, even complacency. And it can the more easily so be supported in view of conditions in this country. For there is not a commodity which, before the embargo, would have found a market abroad that cannot now be sold at home. The difference in profit between the prices which a g owing Fe eral regulation may permit 1 and those which the waremphasized needs might have made foreign buyers ready to pay, is, in part, the measure of the contribution which American business must make to the task of making the world safe for democracy. It is a price it should be glad to pay.

### The Price of Copper

THE price of copper for everybody who buys in the United States has been fixed at 231/2 cents a pound, and there seems to be no ill-feeling anywhere about it. The producers have gone on record as being satisfied, and consumers, who had been paying in excess of 26 cents, could hardly display opposition without creating a great deal of As to labor, surprise among econo the other party concerned, it is assured of a

continuance of the highest wages in the history of copper mining presumably for at least four months, with no indication in sight that the tendency of wages at the end of the period will be downward. Rather. the signs point toward a movement in the opposite direction if the experience of other lines of industry means anything.

Copper at 231/2 cents will return a handsome profit to some of the low-cost mining companies and a fair profit to others whose costs run high. There are concerns which are able to mine, refine, and deliver their product under 8 cents a pound, others cannot do it at less than 18 cents, and many have costs between 11 and 15 cents. A rumor that the average producer would net 10 cents a pound has been called a conjecture, pure and simple, by a prominent copper man. It is safe to add to this the statement that the various producers have no clear knowledge about their profit in the ensuing twelve months. They know that the basis of computing costs which has existed so far implies a good return in 1918, but they do not possess means for deciding whether that basis will prevail. The prices of materials may continue to advance: they may decline. The producer may make more money

Probably the most important feature of the price-fixing lies in the belief in Government and copper mining quarters that 231/2 cent metal will assure production at the greatest possible speed. That is the crucial matter affecting the prosecution of the war, and affecting also the maintenance of man-

T would make the work of the bond salesmen easier if Secretary McAdoo would adopt a new name descriptive of the forthcoming issue of Government 4s. So far he has referred to it as the Second Liberty Loan. To an experienced investor it makes little difference by what name the financing is labeled, but to the 90 per cent. of the buyers whose purchase of the original Liberty Loan bonds represented a new excursion into the field of investment it would mean a great deal if the second offering were characterized by a distinctive name. To many of them a Liberty bond bought seems the end of their obligation to that issue, and they will tell solicitors that they already have their bond.

It has been suggested that the different

than he now counts upon; he may make less.

ufacturing on a broad scale.

A New Loan-A New Name

### Drift of the Economic Tides

Percentage -Commercial + 48.9 \*Cost of Living ..... + 3.0 Bank Clearings ..... + 13.8 + 9.1 Price of 50 Stocks..... - 5.3 - 20.4 N. Y. Bank Loans (avg.) + 2.1 Daily Average Pig Iron Output (Aug.)..... - 2.9 + 1.3 Cotton Spindles (Sept. 14) + 0.1 + 3.5 Come cial Failures, No. ..... -17.5Authracite Shipments (August) ..... + 4.3 + 26.8 Emply (Aug. 1) .... Steel orders (Sept. 10) .. - 4.2 + 7.7 R. R. Earnings (July): 180 Roads-+15.1Gross. ..... Net ..... + 5.0 Foreign Trade (July): Imports ..... — 26.1 + 23.6 Exports ..... - 34.8 - 15.9

\*Annalist Ind x Number, †On Aug. 1, 1917 there was a net shortage of freight cars of 23,776, against a shortage of 77,682 on Jun 30, and a surplus 29.7 2 on report nearest to ug. 1, 1916.

issues each bear a title associated with the successive stages of the war, so that in millions of homes a desire to own a bond of each series may be created.

Frank A. Vanderlip told the Bond Club of New York that he was impressed by nothing so forcibly in the last campaign as by the utter blank ignorance of men of good, ordinary intelligence as to what a bond is. It is adding unnecessary work to the salesmen's shoulders to make him explain to such people that they are not being asked to buy another Liberty bond of an issue successfully placed.

Germany Russia's Nemesis

VIDENCE of German influence in Russia has never been lacking. The leader of the Teutonic Powers has been credited, and rightly so, with having exercised a usually unobtrusive but always effective force in directing the political career of her neighbor. German purpose found entrance into Russia through the kinship of the Kaiser and the Czarina, through the close relationship of the nobility of the two countries, through geographical location, through Russia's so-called Dark Powers which Germany, rightly or wrongly has been thought to have dominated.

German intrigue had much to do in the creation of conditions that resulted in the overthrow of the Czar, although here, as in other instances, the results were not what Germany had plotted for, and her final achievement was only an addition to the testimony that the German official mind is fundamentally incompetent to synchronize itself with the psychology of other nations.

For all this Germany has received due credit, yet her real success has lain in a field far removed from politics Russia, in the cravail of her rebirth, is the Russia of today, not because of German political intrigue, but largely because of the successful operation of an ancient German purpose to keep her great neighbor stunted and impotent through the suppression of her natural resources, the handicapping of her industries, and the domination of her com-

Russia is a land of practically unsurpassed resources and man power, yet today she is hungry in the midst of plenty and almost powerless amid a profusion of the instruments of power. Elsewhere in this issue Germany's part in bringing this about is discussed.

The Federal Reserve System.

ESPITE the efforts made by the Fed-Reserve Board to induce State banks and trust companies to join the Federal Reserve system, the larger institutions in the principal cities have not shown a disposition to apply for membership.

A great deal has been said about the desirability of unifying the country's banking system, and since the war, trust companies and State banks have been urged to join the system on patriotic grounds. This unsuccessful coaxing has nearly reached the stage where all patience has been exhausted. and it is not unlikely that drastic action will have to be taken in an effort to get them into the system.

If the business men of the country only appreciated the value of rediscounts and realized that banks which are mem'ere of the system are in a much better position to render them service than are the non-members there would immediately be a movement to readjust banking arrangements, with the result that the trust compa ies and State hanks would make haste to apply for membership in the system.

# From Wall Street to Company Row Neutral Ship Seizure

"Charley" Merrill Checked Meteoric Rise in Financial District to Enter the Army When His Partner, Claiming First Chance Because Unmarried, Was Rejected

So many and varied the sacrifices men are making to help the United States to victory that to chronicle them all would prove a task of no small magnitude. One by one, men who have played prominent parts in the financial district are pulling down the covers of their desks to take up new jobs that have arisen with the broadening ac-tivities of the war. The younger men, with fewer responsibilities, had their decision made for them in most cases when the militia companies with which they were affiliated were called into service, when their turn came in the calling of men for the new National Army. Their departure was preceded in many instances by the voluntary enlistment of older men for different branches of service. There is hardly a house in the Street which has not lost men whose places it has been difficult or impossible

In one of the newer firms in the district the two original partners tried to disguise from each other their feeling that the Government had a greater claim on their services than had their business. They had started in on almost nothing, had sat up nights with their business when it threatened to die of malnutrition, had worked with unfailing optimism to build up their capital and credit, and had finally been rewarded and accorded a place among houses of the highest standing. Hardly had they felt solid ground under their feet when it became apparent that the United States was going to declare war on Germany. With the crisis the thought came to both of th m that a bigger field for usefulness than Wall Street offered lay

One of the partners, Edmund C. Lynch, is un-married; the other, Charles E. Merrill, has a wife and child. Lynch stood on his rights as a single man, and started on for Plattsburg. Within a iew days he was back at his desk, with his hopes dashed, for the doctors had told him his eyes were below standard. Immediately the other partner en-rolled for the training camp at Fort Myer. He was accepted, won his commission as First Lieu-tenant, and is now serving at Petersburg, Va., as Battalion Adjutant.

"Charley" Merrill is only a boy yet, though he has carried a man's responsibilities for some years. He is not 32, and has been in New York for less than ten years. In that time he has not allowed any grass to grow under his feet. Without enough money to see him through his first few months, he entered Amherst College in the class of 1908. There he waited on a table for his board, and handled a tailoring agency to meet his other expenses. his spare time, of which he seemed to have plenty, in spite of his work, he played ball. After two years he decided to take up the study of law and ieft to enter the University of Michigan. After a year there he had an opportunty to get into business and came to New York. He was with the United States Worsted Company and afterward became credit man for the Patchogue Manufac-turing Company and the American Fibre Matting Company. From there he went with George H. Burr & Co., investment bankers, and rose to be

manager of the bond department.

While working in the textile field he dropped into the Y. M. C. A. one night and fell into conversation with a young man seated at a reading table. His new acquaintance proved to be Lynch, who was then employed with George H. Burr & Co., and the two soon became fast friends. They took a room together and began to talk of the time when they might go into business for themselves. Merrill left Burr & Co. in 1913 to undertake a special task with another firm, but on failing to get support for a new proposition which he had in mind left to open an office of his own. There Lynch joined him, and the new firm was started in to underwrite their proposition, and had Eureka Pipe Line stock, worth at that time approximately \$1,500, and about \$1,000 in cash. They also had a big idea.

The idea was the reorganization of the McCrory Stores to provide money for expansion of the chain system. The young firm, with \$2,500 of tangible assets, contracted to purchase \$1,250,000 of preferred stock and \$700,000 of bonds, with a bonus in common stock. The deal involved the raising of nore than \$2,000,000, and money was then running into hiding as a result of the panic on the European



Lieutenant Charles E. Merrill

With the optimism of youth the two men started in to underwrite their proposition, and had arranged for \$865,000 when the war started.

The Stock Exchange closed its doors; thousands

of employes in the financial district were thrown out of work or carried on half pay, and the banks clamped down the lid on loans. But the confidence of the two partners in the success of their idea remained unshaken. They got an older Stock Exchange firm interested with them because one of the partners liked their energy, although ability to sell McCrory stock when gilt-edged securities were being secretly sold on New Street at panic prices, and started in to canvass the highways and byways for customers. By April of 1915 they had sold the last of their stock, and the firm's original capital was so substantially increased as to make the future reasonably secure. Since then the firm has taken in new partners

and acquired a seat on the New York Stock Exchange. It has grown rapidly in public esteem, and has brought out other new companies with conspicuous success. In the vault there still remain the five shares of Eureka Pipe Line. The original capital has always remained intact.

Justified by Law

Prof. Stowell and F. R. Coudert Advocate Action as a Means to Shorten the War

THE right of the United States Government to commandeer neutral ships which for weeks have been lying idle in American ports as a result of the President's proclamations placing, first, limited restrictions on exports and, then, an embargo on all commodities which might go to Ger-many and her allies through European neutrals, is upheld by experts in international and Admiralty law who urge that this course is not only legal but proper. Incidentally, the disposition of these neutral bottoms has occasioned the retention by one side or the other of a large number of the lawyers

making a specialty of Admiralty cases.

Approximately a half million tons of neutral shipping is now tied up in ports of the United States. This wastage is increased by the hundreds of thousands of tons of cargoes of grain and other foodstuffs rotting in these bottoms. To one un-interested in the legal aspects, the question presents itself, "How long is this enormous wast-age to be permitted when the whole world is on the verge of starvation?" and it was put to Professor Ellery C. Stowell of Columbia University, one of the foremost authorities on international law. His

"A nation may commandeer or confiscate the property of private individuals found within its border whenever such confiscation or commandeering is by it considered necessary for the public good. From the purely internal or national point of view we find a good example in the dynamiting of private dwellings to prevent the advance of a conflagration such as the earthquake fire of San Francisco. Property destroyed for such purpose need not be paid for by the State unl wishes as an act of grace. property of aliens would such matters the be treated the same as When, however, the Government kes property of its own citizens or aliens for use, it must make compensation.

"The situation of ships and goods in transit is somewhat different from ordinary property permanently located within the jurisdiction of the State. Such property can only be taken when there is a pressing necessity and compensation must be given. If Holland and Norway should object on the ground that the retention of these vessels was for them also of vital interest, nevertheless, this Government would still have the right, known in international law as the right of angary, to take the property. In the case of necessity, any Gov-ernment may use any property it finds at hand

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### The New War Tax Law

The new law analyzed and reduced to a convenient reference for the busy man

We have in press now and ready for final revision

1—The New War Tax Bill annotated and indexed. 2-A revised Tax Chart.

The new law is conveniently arranged for reference. The chart shows how it affects incomes ranging from \$2,000 to \$3,000,000.

Requests for this War Tax Literature TA-400 will be placed on file and copies forwarded immediately after the bill is signed by President Wilson.

### The National City Company

National City Bank Building, New York

### the Paradox of Nations

AT the present moment Russia's political situa-tion is so veiled in uncertainty that any forecast of her economic future must necessarily express itself in terms of the potential. Russia's potentialities as a land of golden promise, however, are so generally admitted that they require no discussion. Of more timely interest to the business world are the actual and immediate conditions which, under the troubled surface of revolutionary changes of government, tend to shape the inevitable course of Russia's economic progress. Briefly enumerated, these conditions may be said to com-prise, first, the organic features of Russia's economic structure as they appeared before the war in the form of resources, industries, and foreign trade, and, second, the problems created since then by the effects of the war and revolution upon the agricultural, industrial, and commercial development of the nation.

In fact, it required the revolution to lay these problems bare in all their dangerous significance, the old régime having never been accustomed to confide the causes of its extravagance and incompetence to the public. It was only when the new Government, in honor bound, assumed all the obligations of its predecessor that Russis realized how deplorably inadequate and inefficient had been the financial machinery with which the former ad-ministration had hoped to meet the enormous burden of indebtedness which nearly three years of warfare had piled upon the country. This debt at the time of the revolution amounted to upward of forty billion rubles, and promised to exceed fifty-five billion rubles if the war lasted until 1918. Russia began the war with a Government debt of about eight billion rubles.

Through no fault of its own the old Govern-ment found it impossible to readjust the whole economic system of the country to meet the demands of a situation in which the expenses military operations mounted from 20,000,000 rubles a day in the first year of the war to upward of 40,000,000 in the third year. Supplies for the prosecution of the war, such as munitions and war machinery, had to be secured, and they could be had only in foreign markets, where the enormous rise of Russia's imports over her exports had destroyed her trade balance and necessarily created a sharp decline in the value of her foreign exchange. Whereas in 1913, the year before the war, Russian exports exceeded her imports, in 1916, her imports were four times as great as her exports, the exact figures being as follows:

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		Imports.	Exports.
		Rubles.	Rubles.
1913		1,374,034,000	1,520,135,000
1916		865,500,000	221,100,000

#### EXPORT OUTLETS CLOSED

The transformation of her commerce from an into a predominantly import trade was caused not by any material decrease in production in Russia, but by the closing to commerce of the channels through the Black Sea, the Dardanelles, and the Baltic, which had carried the main current of Russia's vast export trade in grain, oil, hides, &c. Through the elimination of Russia's favorable trade balance alone, the ruble fell from its normal value of 51% cents to a fraction above 29 cents. Since the revolution, owing to the enormous ance of paper money, without sufficient gold re-serve to support it, the ruble has had an exceedingly fantastic career, descending at one time as low as 11½ cents. From that point the exchange rate has struggled upward and it now hangs between 17 and 18 cents.

Internally the old Government met with another set of difficulties. Beginning the war with an annual budget of about 3,500,000,000 rubles, of which almost a third was raised by the revenue on vodka, the Government provided no means of filling the breach caused by the suppression of this particular phase of the liquor traffic. How big a difference this made in the Government's annual income may be observed from the fact that the alcohol monopoly in 1915 yielded only 144,000,000 rubles, as compared with 899,000,000 rubles in 1913. Russia had to pay dearly to keep the moujik sober. Although admittedly a great step forward in her econo progress, its benefits were not directly available, because Russia, with her export trade paralyzed by the war, and with no facilities at hand to develop her industrial resources, could not utilize for the being the increased productivity of labor which the elimination of the vodka industry from national life was intended to and did create.

While the total revenue of the Government in 1915 amounted to 3.400.000.000 rubles, the disbursements for the conduct of the Government machinery alone, excluding all war expenditures, amounted to 3,200,000,000 rubles. This sum, according to the Paralysis of Past German **Domination Has Left New** Republic Powerless to Command Unsurpassed Resources

The following is the first of several articles based on the official reports, so far as they are available, of the Russian Ministry of Finance and the leading economic journals of Russia, presenting a general survey of the immediate problems affecting Russia's economic life through the channels of finance, agriculture, industry, and specific social and labor conditions.

report of the Ministry of Finance, was divided in part among the various departments as follows:

Ministry of the Imperial Court, 16,300,000 rubles, the high legislative institutions, such as the Imperial Council, the Duma, &c., 8,830,000 rubles; the Holy Synod, 52,500,000 rubles; the Ministry of Finance, including the Department of Liquer Monopoly, 357,000,000 rubles; the Ministry of Justice, 101,000,000 rubles; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 7,700,000 rubles; the Ministry of Education 159,000,000 rubles; the Ministry of Ways and Communications, 752,000,000 rubles; the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, 54,600,000 rubles; the Ministry of Agriculture, 143,000,000 rubles; the Ministry of War, 590,000.000 rubles; the Ministry of Marine, 199,000,000. Payments on Government loans aggregated in that year 440,000,000 rubles.

#### GREAT WAR EXPENSES

After paying to keep itself running, the Government had very little left to meet the tremendous expenditure involved in maintaining an army of from three to four million men on the front, and almost half as many more in reserve. To meet the expenses of war, and provide itself with credit for the purchase of munitions and supplies, the Government was compelled to release great quantities of paper money, and to float Government hans, mostly in short-term Treasury bonds. By the exploitation of these credit-creating expenditures the Government by Jan. 1. 1917, erected a debt of 24,-270,666,895 rubles, distributed as follows:

1. Debt.in rubles, (Russian money not on gold standard or in foreign money)-Standing ..... . 1,743,973,038 to 1-15 of an imperial)— Standing ..... 3,365,472,285 In Russia ..... 6,500,000,000 Abroad ...... 4,179,693,900 Total ......24,270,666,895

Just before the revolution the average increase in paper money, according to a statement compiled by Leo Pasvolsky of the Russian Review, had amounted to about 214,000,000 rubles a month. Before the war the amount of paper money that the State Bank was authorized to issue over and above its gold reserve was 300,000,000 rubles. the law of July 27, 1914, this figure was increased to 1,500,000,000 rubles. On March 17, 1915, the issue limits were increased by 1,000,000,000 rubles, and again on Aug. 22 by another billion. On Aug. 29, 1916, the old regime for the last time extended the issue limits of paper money by 2,000,-000,000 rubles. After the revolution, however, the release of paper money assumed grotesque proportions. It is estimated that the issuance of paper currency over the country at the present time amounts to about 35,000,000 rubles n day, with the depreciation of the ruble so low that the mechanic who received 30 rubles a week before the war now demands 80 and 100 rubles.

However temporary and abnormal these co tions may be, it is obvious that the inflation of the market with such a prodigious flood of paper must inevitably induce a state of economic demoralization from which the country will find it very difficult to recover unless it provides the commercial and financial machinery necessary to retire a great part of the paper after the war. With the success of the Allies, Russia's prospects for handling the perilous situation created by her paper glut are fairly bright. Her total amount of commercial and industrial business before the war amounted ap-

proximately to 10,000,000,000 rubles a year. After the war there is every reason to believe that the release of industrial and commercial energy now held in abeyance will place the market in a position to relieve the congestion of paper currency. Furthermore, with the great industrial development that will undoubtedly be inaugurated in Russia after the war on some basis of a profitable cooperation between the Government and private capital, the former may be expected to create the facilities by which it will gradually be able to retire from circulation great quantities of superfluous paper and diminish the supply to the normal requirements of the market.

#### RESTORATION OF THE RUBLE

The reconstruction of Russia's money market is dependent, of course, to a great extent upon the recovery of the trade balance which she lost through the interference of the war with her export commerce. To restore the ruble to a figure approaching normal rates requires only the equalization of imports and exports. It is conceivable that when the Dardanelles is again open for traffic there will be such a vigorous movement of Russian products into this and other countries that the rate of exchange will again rise to its normal

level of 51% cents.

Before the war, it must be remembered. Russia's exports to the United States amounted to \$29,000,000 and her imports from the United States \$26,000,000, giving her the balance of trade by \$3,000,000. Since the war, however, an enormous change has taken place in these figures, the exports of the United States to Russia in the fiscal year 1917 just ended amounting to \$558,584.000 and her imports from Russia in the same year reaching only \$9,484,000. While largely composed war material, the products exported to Russia ircluded also railway supplies and material, automobiles, metal working machinery, manufactured leather goods, copper, steel, rails, railway cars, wire, and miscellaneous manufactures of iron and

Just to what extent the exports of the United States to Russia will be diminished after the war is difficult to predict, but there can be no doubt that Russia remains the foremost source for the United States of raw hides and leather for the shoe and

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### Declining Railway Prosperity Denied

C. E. Mitchell, President of National City Company, Lays Lowering of Security Prices to Readjustment of Values and Not to Impaired Earning Power

By C. E. MITCHELL,

President of the National City Company
RAILROAD pessimism is the vogue. In railroad circles, in bond houses, in brokerage houses, on the street, in the clubs of every city of this country, one is constantly hearing expressions regarding declining earnings, increased operating expenses, increased taxes, and lack of consideration by the Interstate Commerce Commission, that seem sound the death knell of railroad prosperity and

walue in railroad securities. Is there no silver lining to this cloud? Let us see.

The price of Pennsylvania Railroad stock has recently fallen below its par value for the first time in twenty-two years. Holders of the stock are perturbed and make haste to study the latest reports of earnings, naturally assuming that the margin of safety for the 6 per cent. dividend has been impaired. They find that in the first seven months of 1917, earnings available for dividends have decreased by \$5,709,000, which statement, on its face, is discouraging. Yet this year's earnings are nearly \$5,000,000 greater than the earnings same period two years ago. In 1915 the Pennsylvania Railroad earned 6½ per cent. on the stock, and in 1916, 10½ per cent. Indicated earnings for 1917 will exceed 8½ per cent. even if they do not equal 1916's excellent showing. The decline in the price of the stock, therefore, cannot be attributed to the shrinkage in the earnings of the

In the railway bond list declines have occurred which have doubtless created anxiety in the minds of investors. For example, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul general mortgage 4s are now selling at 78, which is the lowest price these bonds have touched since they were listed on the Stock Exchange twenty-seven years ago. In 1891 the bonds sold at 81½ and in that year the railway company earned its fixed charges slightly less than one and a third times. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 1916, the company earned nearly twice its fixed charges. In the meantime, the position of the general mortgage bonds had been greatly strength-ened. In 1891 these bonds were the last mortgage on the property; today they are an underlying mortgage, followed by more than \$200,000,000 of junior mortgage bonds, and the earnings available for this issue and all prior charges are three and a half times such requirements. Here, again, the de-cline in the price has obviously no relation to the earnings of the company.

That the market for railway stocks is not re-

flecting railway earnings is evident from an ex-pert's recently published compilation, which makes the following interesting comparison:

Current prices are thus lower than they were two years ago at this time, while current earnings available for the stocks are nearly double what they were then.

The railway situation can best be pictured by a study of aggregate railway earnings. The trend of earnings in the industry cannot be determined by selecting isolated examples. The fiscal year was the most prosperous the railways, con sidered as a whole, have enjoyed since 1907. In the past year they earned their fixed charges nearly twice over, and paid out in dividends to stockholders only about one-third of the remaining earnings, leaving a very large balance to be returned to the properties, either to strengthen cash positions or to improve physical assets. As analyzed by the Bureau of Railway News and Statistics, the results of all railroads (considered as a single system) in the United States for the 1916 fiscal year are as follows:

Total revenues from	operation	\$3,455,900,000
Operating expenses a	and taxes	2,417,400,000
Total operating incor	ne	1,044,900,000
Interest, rents, sinking	ng funds, &c	579,800,000
Balance	****************	\$464,200,000
Dividends		185,500,000

Surplus for betterments, &c...... \$278,700,000 These earnings were equivalent to 6.40 per cent. on the "cost of property," which exceeds the return in any of the last ten years. It compares with the

years immediately preceding as follows: 1915 ..... 

If it were possible for the railroads to maintain profits on the 1916 basis, the edge would soon be off the acute problem of interesting new

It is not generally appreciated how favorably the earnings for the 1917 fiscal year compare. The chart on following page gives the aggregate gross earnings, operating expenses, and net earnings for the last eight years. It will be observed at once that the increase in gross earnings, which began in the middle of 1915, has been continued at an almost uninterrupted pace. Notwithstanding the enormous increase in operating expenses, which caused a rise in the ratio of operating expenses to gross earnings, (from 66 per cent. to 68 per cent.,) net earnings have not declined, but have registered an increase over the record-breaking figures of

### MISTAKEN IMPRESSION OF DECREASE

It may be objected that as the greatest increase operating costs did not become effective until after the first of January, 1917, statements covering the twelve-months period are not truly indicative of the present situation. It may be thought that the earnings in the last six months of 1916 were sufficiently favorable to cover up poorer re turns made in the first six months of 1917. This impression, if it exists, is unfounded.

The fact is that aggregate railway earnings since the first of the current year compare, all things considered, astonishingly well with the figures of last year, and still more favorably with the figures of two years ago. The following are the results of operation for the six months ended June 30, 1917:

Gross earnings Operating expenses	\$1,898,210,538 1,354,295,938
Net operating revenue	\$543,914,600
As compared with the same six mo	nths of 1916

and 1915 the earnings show the following changes:

Gross earnings Net operating expenses	from 1916. \$201,159,300 207,202,160	from 1915. \$528,938,689 370,883,682
Net operating revenue.  *Decrease.	°\$6,042,860	\$158,055,007

Had the railroads included in operating ex penses only the same amounts for maintenance this s last, net earnings would have been incre by \$50,000,000, and the net decrease of \$6,042,000 shown above would have been turned to an in-

crease for the period of some \$44,000,000.

The chart below has been prepared to show graphically the above results. The earnings are pictured by months, for similar semi-annual periods for the three years, and by cumulative figures for the six months, Jan. 1 to June 30 in each year. The point for special notice in this chart is the rapid improvement in net earnings recorded in the months of April, May, and June, 1917. In February and March, owing to the severity of the Winter, losses were recorded, but such losses have been almost entirely absorbed by subsequent

The following comparison of net earnings with earnings of the same month of 1916 is a conclusive refutation of the popular impression of declining railway prosperity:

	Cent.
January net earnings increased	10.98
February net earnings decreased	
March net earnings decreased	8.18
April net earnings increased	0.07
May net earnings increased	3.33
June net earnings increased	10.13

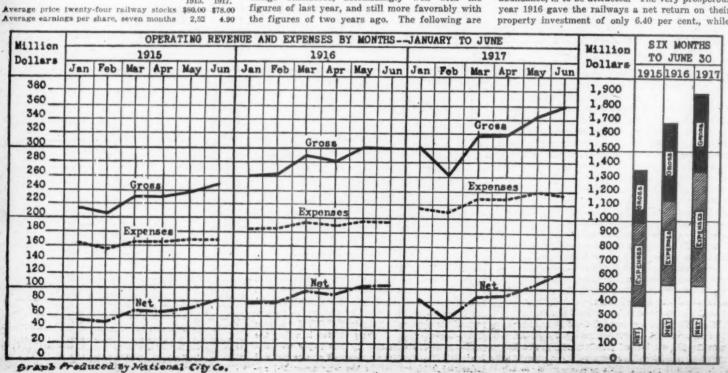
The Eastern carriers have been those most grievously burdened by increased transportation costs, their net revenues from operation declining 15.5 per cent., while the revenues of the roads of the Southern district increased 5.9 per cent. those of the Western district increased 11.7 per cent. The increases allowed the Eastern roads under the Interstate Commerce Commission's decision (estimated to exceed 5 per cent.) have only recently gone into effect and are therefore not reflected in the foregoing returns.

The situation of the railways, considering the

industry in its entirety, certainly does not warrant prevalent pessimism. Current earnings, and those in sight for some time to come, are ample to sup-port the existing capitalization. There is a margin There is a margin over fixed charges which should be comforting to every bondholder and the average stockholder's position cannot be considered precarious.

#### RAILWAYS DESERVE INCREASES

It cannot be said, however, that railway earnings are sufficient and that no increases in freight and passenger rates are justified. On the contrary, it is emphatically obvious to those engaged in rail-way finance that rates must be increased liberally if new capital, which the railways sorely need in abundance, is to be attracted. The very prosperous year 1916 gave the railways a net return on their property investment of only 6.40 per cent., while



		the average return, has been:	using Per
			Cent.
Eastern	district	 .,	5.48
Southern	district	 	4.60
Western	district	 	5.04

These rates of return do not attract investment money. This is not an academic opinion. It is the reasoned conclusion of the investing public, institu-tional and individual. The situation is admirably summed up in the brief opinion of Commissioner Harlan submitted in the recent rate advance case,

What the country as a whole needs, as all partici-

What the country as a whole needs, as all participating in the hearing seemed to agree, is much larger terminals, more tracks, more cars, and more locomotives \* \*. In other words, our population and commerce have largely expanded, but there has been no expansion, relatively speaking, in our transportation facilities \* \* \*.

The record, in my judgment, demonstrates a proposition that has long been clear to me, namely, that a rate is a public question and that the existing rates, aside from any interest that the owners of our railroads may have in the matter, could well be advanced in the public interest, in order that assurance may thus be given for the early enlargement of our transthus be given for the early enlargement of our trans facilities.

Declining prices of railway securities have, to a very great degree, generated a pessimism relative to railways in general which is not conclusive to an unprejudiced appraisal of security values. Investors who, because railway bond and stock prices have fallen rapidly in recent months, have concluded in their own minds that the basis of railway credit is being weakened, must, in view of the figures presented in this article, look further afield for the cause of such declines. To be sure, labor unrest, always unusually obvious in any public service enterprise, and the constantly increasing operating expenses, in the face of legally fixed compensation for service, with an Interstate Commerce Commission obdurate in its denial of the appeal of the roads, have had a distinctly depressing influence on security-market values. A broader reason for this depression would seem to lie, first, in the naturally enforced readjustment of values make them commensurate with the values of foreign Government, industrial, public utility, municipal, State, and United States Government securities which have flowed into the investment market during recent years and months in unprecedented volume; and, second, in the unfavorable comparison, which cannot but be obvious to all, bescant percentage of earning power invested capital in the case of railroads and the

### Neutral Ship Seizure Justified by Law

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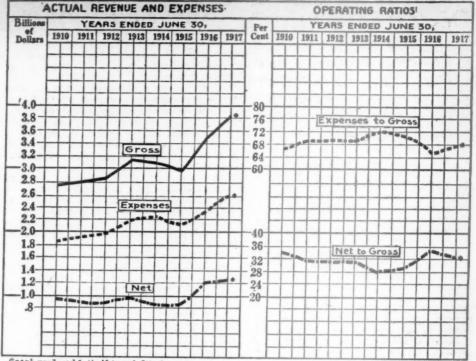
unless it has specifically agreed not to have recourse to such confiscation

"If this Government takes over all neutral shipping I hope that a real benefit to neutrals will result. As long as Germany can influence their course by threats of invasion, Holland, Norway, and Denmark are in a terrible predicament. If they ship supplies to Germany they are in hot water with the Allies. If they do not ship supplies Germany they are in hot water with the Allies. many will invade them as she did Belgium. The moment we seize all their ships here they have no further power of independent action, and I hope Germany would have no incentive to invade them since she would be certain of encountering a firm

resistance on their part."

In the opinion of Frederic R. Coudert, another eminent authority in international law, it would be not only legally right but proper for the United States to seize the neutral vessels in its harbors. He pointed out that as long as these ships were idle in American ports there could be but two results. First, their owners would lose all speculative profits, and, second, the world would lose that number of available bottoms at a time when civilization was suffering in agony for food which could not be supplied to a large part of it because of ship famine. Mr. Coudert held that as long as these neutrals who, according to the Government's information, had been guilty of supplying Germany and her allies with war materials, were willing to let their ships remain idle in our ports, their action might easily be construed as an attempt to aid and bring comfort to the enemy, in which event it was proper for the United States to seize them.

The views of Mr. Coudert were supported by Albert B. Kerr, who, with his partner, George Zabriskie, has taken a leading part as counsel in many important Admiralty cases. Under the eminent domain powers of the Government, according to Mr. Kerr, the United States would have the right to take over these neutral ships just as it would have the right to take over other private property in time of public peril.



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gigantic industrial corporations whose earning ower has astounded even the most enterprising United States and whose future stability, as a result of the conservation of such earnings, presents an alluring picture to the mind of the market investor. The competition of foreign Government ecured obligations, selling today at better than an 8 per cent. basis, of securities of industrial cor-porations earning today close to 100 per cent. and paying from 15 per cent. to 20 per cent., will not continue indefinitely.

The day must return when foreign Government ecurities will not be pressed for sale in this market, when industrial corporations, forced to compete in the world market, must be satisfied with more normal profit returns, when taxes will not present to the investor of large means the necessity for the purchase of tax-exempt securities, and when railroads, enfranchised for a paramount pub-

lic necessity and protected by proper legal regula tion, must again re-establish themselves in the favor of the investing public. In the meantime, it is not clear that the cramping regulation of rates will do more, generally speaking, than to force the railroads to curtail a more efficient service to the public and deprive stockholders of returns on their investment commensurate with their returns on investments in other lines to the end that surplus moneys may flow back into necessary improvements, betterments, and extensions, which should more properly be provided for by new capital atreacted by the promise of adequate return.

Pessimism in the railroad situation today should

properly be a pessimism based on the thought that under existing restrictive conditions the public and the great commerce of these United States cannot be afforded the transportation facilities of the prime character expected of American enterprise

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Public Securities	58,731,6402
Other Securities	49,217,859.00
Loans and Bills Purchased	290,356,261.03 74,485,950.34
Cash—on Hand and in Banks  Exchanges for Clearing House	12,114.865.00
Foreign Exchange	77,567,155.80
Credit Granted on Domestic and	,,
Foreign Acceptances	44,568,560.55
Accrued Interest and Accounts Receivable	2,330,784.85

\$613,535,033.59

#### LIABILITIES

Capital	\$25,000,000.00
Additional Surplus— not required by law 20,000,000	25,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	1,172,855.88 950,000.00
Outstanding Treasurer's Checks	5,125,627.99 2,560,840.03
Reserve for Taxes and Expenses	450,001.94 4.902,946.35
Poreign Accounts	44,568,560.55
Deposits	503,804,200.85

Deposits September 25, 1915.....\$323,390,925 Deposits September 20, 1916..... 417,449,010 Deposits September 8, 1917..... 503,804,200

### Excess-Profits Tax Stumbling Blocks

F. E. Seidman Believes Pre-War Earnings Should Form Deduction Basis Regardless of Their Rate on Capital Invested and Average Returns Be Applied Without Individual Appraisal.

By FRANK E. SEIDMAN, M. C. S., C. P. A., of Eastman, Dillon & Co.

WHEN the House of Representatives passed its War Revenue bill the writer, as well as other accountants and economists, took occasion to point out the impracticability of the method of levying excess profits, which it proposed. It will be remembered that the House recommended a flat tax of 16 per cent. on all profits in excess of 8 per cent. on capital investment. The fact that under this bill it would have been necessary to arrive at an actual value of every plant in the country, made it, in the opinion of experts, an impractical measure.

The Senate has now put exactly the same objectionable features in its bill, notwithstanding the fact that the House measure was originally set aside for that very objection. The bill, as passed by the Senate, contains the following provision:

 The amount of war profits shall be deter
 by deducting from the net income of mined \* \* by deducting from the net income of the trade or business received during the taxable year the average amount of the annual net income of the trade or business during the pre-war period; but such deduction shall not be an amount less than 6 per cent. or more than 10 per cent. of the actual invested capital for the taxable year.

If a company for the years 1911-13, with an investment of \$1,000,000 earned an average of \$200,000, that company would be entitled to a deduction, not of \$200,000, but of \$100,000, because the maximum allowance on capital investment before the war, representing normal profits, is 10 per cent. On the other hand, if this company earned an average for 1911-13 of \$50,000, it would be allowed to deduct, not \$50,000, but \$60,000, for the bill provides that a minimum of 6 per cent. shall be allowed on capital investment.

This proposed method is objectionable on at two basic grounds. The excess-profits tax supposed to represent a tax on excess-war of its. As such, it should be a tax on excess profits and nothing else. The Senate bill puts a tax on "large" profits, rather than on "excess" profits. If the earnings of a business in normal times ran at an abnormal rate, the bill would penalize such a business, irrespective of the equity or the peculiarity that might surround such a con-It is safe to assume that if the earnings of a business in normal times ran at an abnormal rate continually, that business was affected by peculiar For instance, certain businesses have conditions. made in past years large percentages of profits on capital, because of the risk entailed in the enter-The oil business is an example of this condition. If therefore, in normal times, a rate of return upon capital was required considerably above normal to attract capital to a given line of business, an attempt now to limit that rate to an allowance of 10 per cent. on capital investment for normal profits would unquestionably do injury to the lines of business affected.

#### LEVY IS IMPRACTICAL

The second objection, and the more important e, is that the basis of levying the tax is impractical. In order to carry out the provision of the Senate bill limiting the minimum payment of er cent. and the maximum payment of 10 per on capital investment, it would be necessary to determine the 1913 capital investment of every business in the country. If any one wishes to conceive of what that means, all that is necessary is to turn to the annals of rate regulation cases of the last few years. The writer has had occasion to make determinations of capital investment for the New York Public Service Commission in a number of its rate cases. Where a value approach-ing anywhere near accuracy was attempted, it required years for its determination. A valuation of companies like the New York Edison Company, Consolidated Gas Company, and the Brooklyn Edi-son Company, or any other fair-sized public utility mpany, requires from two to five years, and that only for the determination of a rough valuation of approximate investment. When one considers that the proposed valuation of the railroads alone in this country was estimated to take twenty years and to cost millions of dollars, an idea can be had as to what it would mean to comply with the Senate bill in this connection. If the Internal

Revenue Department ever attempted to make any sort of a check on capital value put upon com panies which rendered their excess-profits tax reports, it would unquestionably take many years, and even then no definite results would be estab-lished. As a matter of fact, most companies would have to guess at their investment values unless they were willing to spend years of time and unheard-of amounts of money to arrive at the real investment value of their property. This, even if it were desirable, would not be available for many

years, and therefore not applicable for use at

Our modern systems of accounting are only a few years old, and previously books of accounts were so kept as to make it almost impossible to determine actual investment from them. As a result, if the determination of actual investment from the books were attempted, it would not only entail a tremendous job for every corporation, but the results would unquestionably be so inaccurate to make it entirely out of proportion to the value to be derived.

If the Revenue bill is concurred in by the House in its present form, there is no question that not only will it put serious obstacles in the way of companies issuing fair returns to the Government, but it will defeat its own purposes, in that it will lead to evasion of the tax. It will be comparatively easy for companies which wish to take advantage of the technicalities of the law so to value their property as to escape, in large measure, from the excess-profits tax. There is no doubt that the Internal Revenue Department will have to take the word of the companies in this respect, as it will be impossible for the department to check up many of the companies reports. It would take the entire present Internal Revenue Department force many years to check up the capital investment of the United States Steel Corporation alone. When one considers the hundreds of thousands of corporations in the country that will come under this tax, and the billions of dollars of investment represented by these businesses, the impossibility of attempting a valuation and a Covernmental check in the short space of time given to make a report for this purpose is apparent.

#### ALLOWANCE FOR NEW CAPITAL

Another feature of the bill which is open to objection is the following:

If the capital during the taxable year is greater or less than the average capital computed upon the same basis during the pre-war period, the war profits shall be determined by deducting from the total net income of the taxable year an amount which bears the same proportion to the average annual net income of the pre-war period; but such deduction shall not be an amount less than 6 per cent. or more than 10 per cent. of the capital invested for the taxable year \* \* \*.

In order to meet the requirements of this provision of the bill, which, in effect, allows the same rate of return on capital put into the business since 1913 as was earned during 1911-13, (limited to a 6 per cent. minimum and a 10 per cent. maximum,) it will be necessary to determine the capital investment of the company in 1913 and the relation of this capital to the earnings made by the com-The determination of capital investment, as was pointed out in a previous paragraph, will be impractical and this feature of the bill should be amended so that this objection may be eliminated.

seems that a method could be developed which would give the required results contemplated in the Revenue bill and yet do away with the above objections. As far as the first objection here mentioned is concerned, there is no reason why a company should not be allowed to take its pre-war earnings, no matter what that rate was on capital investment. Of course exceptions could be provided for in case these three years were for some reason or other abnormal. For instance, if any particular company should show that there was an abnormally low profit made during any of these years because of peculiar conditions, or if the Gov-ernment could determine that an unusually large profit was made during this period because of exceptional conditions, then the company peculiarly affected in that way could have its pre-war profits adjusted to a normal basis. If pre-war profits were allowed to stand as a deduction, irrespective of their relation to capital investment, the necessity of determining valuations of companies for this purpose would be eliminated. Unless this is eliminated, there is no question that the operation of the bill will be seriously affected.

As to the allowance for capital investment made since 1913, it seems that a better way than that incorporated in the bill would be to determine the average pre-war return that capital received in a given industry rather than in a given company during the normal period. For instance, if the

history of three normal years shows that the avprofits of the steel business were 10 per cent. on capital invested, or the oil business 25 per cent., or the copper business 15 per cent., these percentages should be allowed to respective companies on new capital investment since 1913. This system would simplify considerably the determination of value, in that only one or two representative companies of each industry need be died and this factor determined, instead of ascertaining the value and profits of each company in each industry.

#### NEW ORGANIZATIONS INJURED

Another item in the bill to which attention should be called is that pertaining to the tax on companies that were not in operation prior to Jan. 2, 1913. These companies are required by the bill to pay the same proportion of their net income in s-profits taxes, as representative companies in the same line of business are at present paying in relation to their income. In other words, if the Bethlehem Steel Company at present had to pay cent. of its income in excess-profits taxes, the Midvale Steel Company would be required to pay the same percentage of its income.

Because of the rise in cost of labor, materials, &c., companies that have started business since the war began have had in most cases to pay larger amounts for their capital investment than companies that entered business prior to the war. Senate bill disregards this factor. The Midvale Steel Company will have to pay the same rate of earnings in taxes as the Bethlehem Steel Comnotwithstanding the fact that the former may have an investment per dollar of earnings twice as large as the latter. This inequality could easily be eliminated by applying the rule above suggested in connection with allowance for new capital; that of determining the average return on capital in a given industry, and applying the normal rate of profits to the capital investment of the new company for the purpose of determining the exemption to be allowed for normal profits.

It is very important, in my opinion, that these blocks" in the bill be eliminated. " stumbling believe that if the changes suggested are made, the Excess-Profits Tax bill, as passed by the Senate, will work smoothly, and will be found to be fair and equitable and ought to meet with the general approval of the business and financial community.

#### ITALIAN MERCHANTS HELPED BY NEW LONDON MEASURE

Deposit of Treasury Bills at British Centre Permits Increase of Sterling in Italy

Special Correspondence of The Annalist

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MORE than a year ago, proving very hard for folk in Russia to obtain the sterling exchange necessary for paying their bills in the outside world, a special arrangement was made to enable Russian banks to obtain credit in London. Russian Treasury bills were deposited with the principal banks and accepting houses in London, against which as security the leading Russian banks drew bills. These bills were discounted in the market here, and have been from time to time renewed, although the total amount outstand-

ng would not appear to have increased recently.

Now, after fairly long delay, similar arrangements to meet a similar difficulty in Italy have been put into force. The deposit of Italian Treasbills with the leading London banks has enabled bills to be drawn by Italian merchants and bankers to provide themselves with exchange on London that they may require. It may be said that such bills are only a new version of the kite of finance paper which used to play such an important part in the financial relations of London and New York before the war. This seems true, but, on the other hand, some kites are useful birds.

Finance paper, based on the anticipation of crop movements all over the world, were undoubtedly a public benefit before the war. Bills such as the Italian and Russian bills described above, which bridge the gulf made in the movement of interna tional trade by the shortage of shipping, priority of Government orders, and other inevitable con-sequences of war, may also hope to escape the censure of the financial purist.

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### A Banker's Plea for Trade Acceptance

Positive Action by Merchants and Bankers in Perfecting This Instrument of Credit, Says Beverly D. Harris, Will Tend to Scale Down Abnormal Discounts

THE subject of "Trade Acceptances" was one of the features of last week's War Convention of American Business Men, and will form one of the principal topics of discussion at this week's convention of the American Bankers Association. In view of the marked attention now being paid to this credit instrument, the following interview with Beverly D. Harris, Vice President of the National City Bank, is particularly timely. It explains why the use of trade acceptances should be encouraged in this country, and how the adoption of the system would help the development of the nation's new banking system.

THAT the country's new banking system will not reach its maximum efficiency and usefulness until the business interests of the nation adopt the trade acceptance method of settling commercial transactions is the opinion of Beverly D. Harris, Vice President of the National City Bank of New York, a banker who has made a special study of the subject. While we have created a modern piece of banking machinery, we have not, he believes, made the same degree of advancement in our credit system and in the creation of those instruments of credit necessary properly to utilize its functions, to give scientific application to its principles, and to bring about that perfect co-ordination between credit and banking operations, that liquidity and soundness of credit, that maximum efficiency, that clearing of credit against credit, that minimum of expense and lost motion, and maximum credit potentiality which will be possible of accomplishment when our entire credit system is properly organized.

Mr. Harris points out that much has been done in respect to the introduction of bankers' acceptances in financing foreign trade transactions and that these instruments are now being used with the greatest effectiveness and will be invaluable in developing and regulating the flow of credit between the American and foreign markets. Following the adoption of bankers' acceptances for foreign business operations, the same type of instrument was made use of for financing domestic transactions in commodities. The third step in the development contemplates the adoption of the trade acceptance, but thus far the movement has been decidedly slow.

"The vital principle of the Federal Reserve banking system," says Mr. Harris, "is that its credit and currency operations shall be based upon only that class of live commercial credits which are of an essentially self-liquidating character, representing the purchase and sale of merchandise going into general consumption. Upon this depends the elasticity of our currency and our credit and the soundness, strength, and usefulness of Government banking functions. It is the theory and purpose of the law to segregate credits of this character into a special and distinctive class which will show on their face that they represent only that distinctly and not confused with any other kind of credit operations. That is the essence of a trade acceptance. That is why it receives a preferential rate by the Federal Reserve Board. That is why it is bound to come into use as the logical credit instrument—because all the weight of argument and consistent reasoning is for it—because, when the whole subject is clearly understood, the combined wisdom of the country will approve it, insist upon it, and get it. It may take some time, but it will come. There is a great forward movement developing in this direction, due mainly to the active work of the National Association of Credit Men."

#### TRADE ACCEPTANCES MISUNDERSTOOD

It has been found, Mr. Harris observes, that there exists a great deal of confusion of thought, controversy, misunderstanding, and lack of unanimity or positive action among merchants and bankers in respect to trade acceptances.

"There seems to be an impression in some quarters," he says, "that the trade acceptance system is intended to do away with eash payments and the discounting of bills for eash, substituting time obligations therefor. This is not at all the case. Every consideration for sound business is to encourage eash payments or as short credits as possible. As a means to this end a property adjusted system of eash discounts is not objectionable. Dis-

counts out of proportion to current money rates, however, may be criticised as expensive to the country and not warranted by present conditions. The introduction of trade acceptances will help to scale abnormal discounts to a more reasonable ratio. The principal thing now to be accomplished is to put the large mass of outstanding unavailable credits represented by open accounts into acknowledged negotiable form. The open-account system is expensive, it is economically wrong, and lays an undue tax on the ultimate consumer. There is no more reason why merchants should sell goods on open account than that a bank should lend money that way or pay cash on a charge without taking a check.

"If the substitution of trade acceptances for open accounts can be brought into general practice, with the result that the bulk of the outstanding credits for goods sold would be in the form of negotiable paper, the custom of rediscounting acceptances would probably come into general use, as more economical to the borrower in operating on less capital, as well as because of the preferential rates made by the Federal Reserve Banks."

In regard to the argument that if trade acceptances represent practically such accounts as do not discount their bills they represent an inferior grade of credit, Mr. Harris said:

"In an abstract and qualified sense this is true, but as a practical proposition, owing to trade conditions, multiplied millions of dollars are carried in just such open accounts, against which the best merchants borrow on their plain paper, and if these accounts were not good and did not liquidate periodically, the big merchants of the country would be in a bad way. Under good management experience shows only a small percentage of loss in these open accounts.

"Some buyers object to giving acceptances because they think it hurts their credit. We must not let this impression exist. The merchant whose statements show acceptances payable and acceptances receivable should be entitled to a higher grade of rating than one whose statements show accounts payable and accounts receivable, because it shows in the first place that the merchant is willing to put his debt in an acknowledged form and intends to meet it, and in the second place that he has his own assets in the best form for collection, and that his business is systematically conducted.

"Some buyers, particularly those in localities where crop conditions and the like make the time of liquidation variable, dislike to give acceptances, fearing they may mature before they make their collections, and that they may not be able to get extensions. I believe their creditors could and would grant them the same indulgence—not only to hold their trade, but the more so in appreciation of their evident intention to meet obligations promptly, according to contract, by giving the acceptances. The creditor would take up the acceptance and carry it accordingly, as circumstances justified, and would still be in a better position with the debt, either to carry it, sue on it, or even go through bankruptcy proceedings with it, than if it had been an unproved account in the first place. It would put the management of the debt where it belongs—with the creditor.

"Debtors will, however, hang on to the credit leeway afforded by the open-account system, in very many cases, unless firmness is exercised in requiring the account closed either with cash or acceptance. One of the difficulties is that merchants are afraid of losing trade to competitors, and this firmness is shown only here and there. Merchants' organizations could accomplish this, I think, by taking a vote of their members on the proposition of uniform terms of sale, transactions to be closed either by cash or acceptance, such terms to be in effect with the association when a sufficient number of their members ratified it.

"Another objection that has been advanced is that merchants rediscounting acceptances might find themselves forced to the wall by having to take up their customers' paper in panies. The answer to that is, this system is a cure for panies. It is the prime function of the Federal Reserve Banks to provide rediscount facilities, particularly in times of money stringency, especially to prevent forced liquidation and to avert the panies of former times. Under such circumstances the trade acceptance is peculiarly useful and available. With the ability to convert their acceptances promptly into cash, merchants under such circumstances could also operate on less borrowed money than would be the case if they were carrying their customers on open account, and could only borrow 50 per cent.

# Russia, the Paradox of Nations

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glove industries, and in this direction alone Russia, after the war, will undoubtedly make a great stride toward the recovery of her trade balance, although the realization of that goal must necessarily be a matter of years, because of the great amount of machinery she will have to import from this country to promulgate any considerable program of industrial development.

The growth of Russia's foreign trade in the ten years prior to the war constitutes a basis from which some judgment may be made of where she left off in her economic development when the European conflict opened. Tracing the course of her foreign trade from 1904 to 1913, therefore, we find the results to be as follows:

	Imports	Exports	Trade Balance
Year.	in Rubles.	in Rubles.	in Rubles.
1904	. 651,403,000	1,006,384,000	+354,981,000
1905	635,087,000	1,077,325,000	+442,238,000
1906	800,690,000	1,094,866,000	+294,176,000
1907	. 847,365,000	1,053,010,000	+205,645,000
1908	912.659,000	998,250,000	+ 85,591,000
1909	. 906,336,000	1,427,674,000	+521,338.000
	.1,084,446,000	1.449,085,000	+364,639,000
	.1,161,682,000	1,591,411,000	+429,729,000
	.1,171,772,000	1,518,797,000	+347,025,000
	1 374 034 000	1 520 135 000	+146.101.000

The effect of the war on Russia's foreign trade is shown by the following table:

Tes	Imports in Rubles.	Exports	Trade Balance in Rubles.
1914.	first half, 808.500,000	729,600,000	-78,900,000
	second half289,500,000	226,500,000	-63,000,000
	first half 368,400,000	130,000,000	-238,400,000
	second half770,200,000	271,800,000	-498,400,000
	first half865,500,000	222,100,000	643,400,000

#### THE GERMAN FACTOR

The sharp decline revealed by the above table both in exports and imports, due to the severance of commercial relations between Germany and Russia, indicates quite clearly the extent of Germany's economic domination over her neighbor. Without developing Russia's industrial and manufacturing resources as she had an opportunity to do, Germany utilized Russia as a market in which to exploit her German-made goods, so that in 1913, the last normal year before the war, Russia was receiving from her almost one-half of her imports and sending to her almost a third of her total exports. In 1913 Russia's exports to Germany amounted to 453,584.000 rubles and her imports from Germany to 652,208,000 rubles, leaving a balance in Germany's favor of almost 200,000,000 rubles.

The elimination of Germany as a middleman between Russia and the United States revealed the enormous possibilities of direct trade relations between this country and Russia, for in the first half of 1916 Russia's imports from the United States, amounting to \$310,000,000, exceeded in value Russia's imports from Germany in the first half of 1913. In 1913 Russia's exports and imports were distributed as follows:

EXPORTS, (in rubles.)	IMPORTS, (in rubles.)
Germany453,584.000	Germany652,208,000
Great Britain267,801,000	Great Britain 173,012.000
Holland177,411,000	China 84,054,000
France100,879,000	United States 79,093
Italy 73,761,000	France 56,991,000
Austria-Hung'y 65,297,000	Finland 50,959,000
Belgium 64.664,000	Persia 43,626,000
Persia 57,703,000	Austria-Hung'y 35,698,000
Finland 55,284,000	Holland 21,389,000
Denmark 36,425,000	Turkey 18,439,000
China 31,490,000	Sweden 16,926,000
Rumania 21.692.000	Italy 16,808,000
United States. 14,155,000	Egypt 5,938,000
Sweden 11,422,000	Switzerland 5,240,000
Greece 6.859,000	

Before the war Russia's exports fell into four general groups. The first group, constituting about 55 per cent. of the exports, consisted of articles of food consumption, and amounted to a total value in 1913 of 839,853,000 rubles. The second group, consisting of raw and half-manufactured articles, constituted 37 per cent. of the exports and amounted in value to 561,027,000 rubles. The third

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group, consisting of live stock and forming about 2 per cent. of Russia's exports, amounted in value to 34,359,000 rubles. Finally, the fourth and smallest group, consisting of manufactured articles, amounted in value to 84,895,000 rubles.

Germany again occupied the leading rôle in the distribution of these exports, receiving in 1913 248,814,000 rubles' worth of food supplies from Russia. Holland came next with 133,698,000 rubles' worth of supplies, and then Great Britain, with 125.241.000 rubles. Italy with 69,251,000 rubles and France with 52,901,000 rubles. The exports of Group II. went mostly to Germany and Great Britain. Three-quarters of the live stock went to Germany. In the fourth group, China occupied first place, receiving one-fourth of Russia's exports in manufactured goods. Finland was Russia's next largest market for this group, with Germany, Great Britain, and Turkey coming in the order

On the other side of her commerce, Russia is importing many materials such as coal and ores which she could produce at home much more profitably if her natural and industrial resources sufficiently developed. Her principal items of import, aside from war supplies, consist of spinning materials, food products, fuel, animal products, chemicals, timber and wooden products, paper and printing materials, ceramic materials, clothing, and dry goods. In 1913 Germany supplied almost twothirds of all the ores and metal products purchased by Russia in foreign markets. Next in order of ortance came Great Britain, the United States,

and Austria-Hungary.

Simultaneously with her growth in foreign commerce, Russia in the ten years between the Japanese war and the outbreak of the European war developed a financial system which achieved stability principally through the central banking institution, or the State Bank. In normal times, operating through a chain of 133 permanent establishments, six temporary branches, eighteen agen-cies, and 791 sub-treasuries, this bank did a business of about 275.395,000,000 rubles. According to the statement of the State Bank of Nov. 29, 1916, the total amount of gold held by the bank was 1,467,000,000 rubles in its own vaults, and 2,150,-000,000 rubles abroad. The value of the promissory notes and other short-term obligations was 258, 600,000 rubles and the value of short-term Treasury bonds amounted to 6,073,000,000 rubles. The deposof the Government Treasury amounted to 208, 000,000, while those of private persons and institutions aggregated 1,468,000,000 rubles.

All of these figures, showing the state of Russia's trade and commerce in the last normal year before the war, are really the indications of economic development in its initial stage. The tables of Russia's exports represent the merest fraction of her productive capacity. Whatever growth she has achieved has been more or less utomatic, involving as yet no utilization of her ntensive possibilities. The great soil is still unintensive possibilities. tapped. Russia herself can do nothing for her economic future. It must be done for her. Interrupted in her trade growth by the war, Russia, now technically bankrupt and maintaining solv-ency only through the grace of her allies, depends upon the United States and England to stimulate her economic progress after the war is over.

#### CAN'T PROSPER UNAIDED

How can this be done? Largely through the development of her resources by the application of foreign capital. Russia's financial means after the war is over will hardly be sufficient to cover the routine items of her budget, which at the present day runs close to four billions a year. With a avy national debt on her hands, the Government will not be able even to finance any necessary extennive program of railroad construction, so essential to her industrial welfare, except through the issu-ance of another batch of internal loans.

Despite all the wealth of her natural resources. Russia is utterly helpless to utilize or realize her assets without the aid of foreign capital, and that capital can come only from England and the United States. Fully aware of this condition, the financial advisers of the new regime are now endeavoring to devise a plan which will bring foreign capital into asia on a basis of co-operation, rendering a sufficiently attractive return to both the Government

and the entrepreneur.

Many industrial and political problems are in-volved in such a step. It has already met with oposition from influences in Petrograd that are re-actant to see Germany lose her economic grip on Russia. Still another cry is being raised against the possible danger of exploitation by foreign capital. On this score, however, there is little or nothing to fear, because the enterprises to be developed by foreign capital will undoubtedly be subjected to e Government supervision.

#### Motor Trucks Railroad Aids as

George P. Sweet Has Plan for Government to Concentrate Freight Shipments in Convenient Centres and Distribute from There Over the Roads.

RADICAL readjustment of methods of handling the domestic freight situation, with the Government taking hold of both railroads and motor trucks and working them in co-operation, en suggested by a group of men well acquainted with the productive capacity of American motor truck factories and with the difficulties that shortage of freight cars has caused and is causing, though to a lesser degree, in the handling of freight in this country. As the plan involves thoroughgoing action by the Government and extension of its activities, as well as certain rearrangements which could hardly be done by less than Governmental authority, it will probably be laid before department heads in Washington in the

The plan as it exists, in rather generalized form, was outlined to The Annalist by George P. Sweet, general manager of the United Motors Company of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is one of the men most interested in the possibility of rearrangement. Briefly, the features of the plan are

as follows:

The restriction of railroad freight shipments to through hauls between central points at distances varying from 50 to 150 miles apart, according to the density of population, intensity of industrial development, and other factors.

Sending of all shipments intended for way stations in mass to the nearest central headquarters, thence to be shipped out to the destination by motor truck. Establishment of Government warehouses in the cities of distribution to serve as central points for the shipment of freight to the smaller stations.

Organization of fleets of motor trucks under Government ownership and management, amounting ulti-

ernment ownership and management, amounting ulti-mately, when the entire country had been adequately covered, to about 25,000, which should attend to all local freight deliveries and thereby save freight cars

#### TRADE RIVALRY A HANDICAP

"Some of us motor truck men," said Mr. Sweet, "had hoped that this matter would be brought up at the war conference of American business men held last week at Atlantic City, for the constantly growing demand for railroad rolling stock which is a continuing problem despite the railroads' really excellent co-operation in recent months for economical handling of freight cars is a war and business problem of very great importance. That it was found impossible to present it as it should have been presented was due chiefly to the fact that in the motor truck business conditions of unrestricted competition still prevail.

"It may be objected at the outset that this plan looks like an attempt to create a new market for motor trucks to the detriment of the railroads. But it is nothing of the sort. If properly worked out, and only the Government, in my opinion, could to it successfully, it would be profitable not only to the motor truck men, but also to the railroads and the general public. That the plan would be to the interest of the railroads is evident from a nsideration of the freight situation as it is today. The essence of the whole affair is that the demand for freight accommodations and for transportation generally is considerably greater than the supply. Supplant the railroad freight system with local liveries by motor truck and it would mean that the normal needs of the country could be handled and would continue to expand in natural course.

As it is at present, a freight car starts for, say, New York from Cincinnati. It has some freight for New York, some for Bound Brook, N. J., some for Baltimore, some for Cumberland, Md., and some for Huntington, W. Va. The car is dropped off at each of the way-points while the freight consigned to that place is unloaded, and eventually it reaches New York, after a journey of, say, a couple of weeks. And if it has anything in it for a New York suburb, such as, say, Mount Vernon, it has to be run out there after being unloaded of the major portion of its burden in New York City. This is an uneconomical system at best, and especially so in view of the extreme burden placed on transportation by the de-mands of the war. Actual military needs are going to put constantly growing burdens on the railroad system. In one part of the country after another e have already seen curtailment of passenger serve ice because the crews are needed for freight work or because the rolling stock is needed for shipment of troops.

"Now this plan of the motor truck men would make unnecessary the diversion of passenger crews

to freight trains. Take the case I have suggested above. Instead of the freight car from Cincinnati to New York being compelled to halt at one point and another along the line of march, it would be loaded with freight only for New York and its immediate vicinity. The freight destined for Mount Vernon and Bound Brook would be shipped to New York along with that for the metropolis itself. The freight for Baltimore would go there, that for Cumberland and Huntington would probably be shipped to Pittsburgh in another car. But in any event freight intended for New York or any town within fifty or seventy-five miles of New York would go straight to the metropolis and would be mobilized in a Government-owned warehouse, from which a motor truck would set out for Mount Vernon, another for Round Brook, and so on, loaded with freight assembled in the central warehouse from all parts of the country. I don't think it's too much to say that the freight-carrying facilities of the railroads could be doubled by this system.
"I have suggested 25,000 trucks as a rough esti-

mate of the number that might be needed to install-such a system adequate to the needs of the entire On this basis, including the warehouses and other expenses, the cost of installation might reasonably be expected to be above one hundred million dollars. But one hundred million no longer looks as big as it looked two or three years ago; and I am pretty certain that the system could be operated at a profit once it was installed. But it is not the sort of thing that should or would be put in all at once. It could be started where the obvious meed is greatest, at the seaports; and from them it could be extended to the great manufacturing and then gradually onward to the centres for distribution in the less populous sections of the

country.

" Don't think that this is an academic question. The Goodyear Rubber Company has in operation a regular motor truck route from Akron to Boston, running on regular schedule, making regular stops, and doing the round trip in a week. Of course, that implies good roads, and undoubtedly truck deliveries in some sections of the country might be hindered by the poor quality of the roads that would be encountered. But improvement of bad roads is one of the cardinal necessities of American life, both for the ordinary needs of business, industry, and agriculture, and for the added demands of wartime. The good roads movement will go on steadily in any event, and this would merely give it impetus. When I suggest Government operation of this business I feel most positive that the Government is about the only agency with the authority to handle the whole matter and regulate the interests of the railroads, the shipper, the consignee, and the other persons whom it would affect. This is not a bid for Government aid to the motor truck industry. Our business badly needs integration and system, but there is no darger that it will not be able to handle the demand. The chief beneficiaries by this plan would be the shipper, the consignee, and the national interest in smoothly working business arrangements and in improved railroad conditions. The railroads themselves and the truck men would benefit in about equal proportion."

To ascertain the extent to which railroad employes of foreign birth subscribed to the first Liberty Loan, a special investigation has been completed on the directly operated lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad East of Pittsburgh and Erie. The result of this inquiry shows that out of a total of 160,127 employes, in all departments, 25,827 were born in foreign countries. There were, among all the employes, both native and foreign born, 52,782 subscriptions, totaling more than \$3,400,000. Nearly one in three of the foreign-born employes was found to have been a Liberty bond purchaser. The exact number of subscribers of alien birth was \$,146, or almost 22 per cent. of the total foreign-born. This was within 2 per cent. of the proportion of employes of American birth who subscribed.

The inquiry also brought out the interesting fact that there are, in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad, men of forty-two different nationalities, besides native-born Americans, and members of thirty alien races were included among the buyers of Liberty bonds.

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The inquiry brought out the fact that since the Fall of 1914 the Pennsylvania Lines East of Pittsburgh had sustained a net loss of 7,977 employes of forcign birth as a result of men returning to their native countries for military service, or obtaining employment elsewhere in America, attracted by the higher wages offered by industries which have been able to take advantage of secondmic conditions. economic conditions.

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### Government and Labor Wartime Pacts

Agreements Affecting Cantonment Builders, Seamen, and Shipyard Men Establish New Organizations to Insure Industrial Peace with Benefit to Employers and Workers Alike

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SINCE the beginning of the war the Federal Government, because of its vital interest in industrial undertakings, has found it necessary, through its regular departments and special agencies, to enter directly into several formal agreements with organized labor. In each instance the trade unions have been represented by Samuel W. Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, or by his associates, usually the chief executives of the labor unions directly affected. The War Department, the Shipping Board, and the Emergency Fleet Corporation have been the principal Governmental agencies which have been parties to the different arrangements.

The first formal agreement negotiated had to do with the regulation of wages and working conditions in the construction of the sixteen cantoments, or army mobilization camps. The compact, which is still in force, provides for a Board of Adjustment consisting of three members, a representative of the War Department, of organized labor, and of the general public. Labor union standards of wages and working conditions in the districts where the cantonments are being constructed are guaranteed, and disputes between workers and contractors are to be investigated by representatives of the Adjustment Board. On the failure of the local representatives to agree, the points in controversy are to be passed on finally by the Adjustment Board itself. Its decisions are to be final and binding on employers and employes.

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As the result of conferences under the auspices of the Commerce and Labor Departments and the Shipping Board, a collective agreement establishing wages and working conditions of seamen in the Atlantic service was worked out by representatives of the Seamen's Union and officials of the transatlantic steamship lines. The rates of pay agreed upon, it is expected, will attract new recruits to our merchant marine. As the result of further action by the Shipping Board another agreement as to wages and hours has been arranged between the Longshoremen's Union and vessel owners.

### THE SHIPYARD AGREEMENT

By far the most important agreement, however, which as yet has been negotiated is the agreement relative to shipyard employes. It provides for a standing Adjustment Board of three members. One member is to represent the public, another organized labor, and the third the employers, in this case the Shipping Board or Emergency Fleet Corporation. The representative of the public is appointed by the President of the United States and the Shipping Board and the President of the American Federation of Labor select the other two members. When the board has under consideration adispute affecting any particular industrial establishment, representatives of employers and employes of the plant are entitled to sit and vote with the board. When the Navy Department is a party to a dispute, it also may be represented. In event of a tie vote, the deciding ballot is cast by the Chairman of the Council of National Defense or some one designated by him.

To make this general machinery effective it is planned to form districts of the plants where shipbuilding work is being done. In each of these areas a District Examiner is to be selected by the joint action of shipbuilders and the trade unionists, or, if they cannot agree, the District Examiner is to be appointed by the board. The duties of this district official will be to adjust disputes which may arise and, if possible, to settle grievances before they come to open rupture. If he is unable to adjust a dispute he is required to refer it to the General Adjustment Board. On receiving a report from a district official that a dispute cannot be adjusted the board is to send a representative to make further efforts to mediate or adjust the matter. If he can bring about an agreement it is sent to the board for ratification. If he cannot make an adjustment the examiner is to refer the matter to the board with his recommendations and the board is then finally to decide the points in dispute. Decisions of the board may be retroactive. They are to be final in any dispute for a period of aix months. After the lapse of this period the case

may be opened for readjustment by formal request of a majority of organized workers.

#### SAFEGUARDS FOR THE GOVERNMENT

In addition the board may take direct jurisdiction in any case and may remove District Examiners who have been selected jointly by employers and trade unionists. This provision obviously is designed to safeguard the Government against any collusion between workmen and employers.

The agreement stipulates that rates of pay and hours of work as they existed on July 15, 1917, shall be the standard upon which all adjustments shall proceed, but consideration may be given to any factors arising since that date. It is also provided that the board shall keep a record of the changes in prices or cost of living of workingmen's families in each district, to be used as a basis for the adjustment of real wages.

The agreement, as can be readily seen, primarily establishes an organization to preserve peace in the shipyards by means of mediation and arbitration. Its provisions treat of organized workers alone, although it is not clear that it is limited strictly to these classes of employes. The unionists practically agree that they will not strike and that decisions of the board shall be binding on them for a minimum period of six months. In return they receive a guarantee that increases in rates of pay will be made to conform to new conditions and to advances in cost of living, and that existing standards as to hours of work will be maintained or improved. If an additional provision had been inserted placing a time restriction on the final adjustment of disputes the agreement would have been more effective, and possible unrest, because of vexatious delays, would have been avoided. The agreement, in general, however, represents a distinctly forward step in wartime industrial policy and should be of great benefit in preventing cessation of work through shipyard disputes and strikes.

The real effectiveness of the agreement will depend on the extent to which local organizations are

established, and patriotic appeals are made to the individual workman for his co-operation and his adherence to the compact. A Shop Committee for the administration of the agreement—representative of employes and employers—should be organized in each shipyard. These committees should be established in all shipyards, whether union labor is or is not recognized, and the unorganized worker thus included within the scope of the General Adjustment Board's jurisdiction. The appeal should be on patriotic principle to the individual wage earner. He should be impressed with the fact that in supporting the agreement and in submitting to the orderly adjustment of grievances under its provisions he is making a vital contribution to the success of the war against Germany. The individual workman will respond to such an appeal, and under no other conditions will the work of the Adjustment Board be really effective.

#### WAY PAVED FOR PROGRESS

The administration of the shipyard compact in this spirit will also prepare the way for other measures of a constructive industrial program which are necessary and inevitable. The labor agreements thus far negotiated have aimed only to stave off industrial conflict or to adjust strikes when they actually occur. Positive measures to increase output or productivity, as has been done in Great Britain and France, must now be formulated and applied. All restrictive practices must be dropped by the labor unions for the duration of the war. On the other hand, collective action by workmen must be recognized by employers, and standards of hours and wages which now prevail must be maintained or improved. All phases of industrial conflict should be dropped for the time being and every effort, within proper limitations, turned toward effecting the industrial productivity which pressure of a successful war makes neces The Shipping Board or Fleet Corporation in the case of ship construction, and other Government departments in the case of other departments, should take the initiative in establishing such a constructive policy by conference and agreement with employers and employes.

### Billion-Dollar Auditing a War Need

### New Department of Expert Accountants Checks Huge Government Expenditures

THE War Department has outstanding contracts for munitions of war totaling more than \$3,000,000,000. As a precaution against waste in the expenditure of this vast sum, and of other similar sums in the future, a new department of contract supervision has been created at Washington, under Brig. Gen. William Crozier, Chief of Ordnance of the Army. The business of this department, said to be the largest in administrative service at the capital, is to check up the cost of the war—the cost, that is, to the manufacturer as well as to the nation. It has representatives in every factory in the United States where munitions are produced. It deals with such non-spectacular items as "direct labor," "direct materials," "overhead cost," and "cost plus percentage" contracts, but its functions are of almost as much importance to the nation as the quality of the shells and guns that are sent to the front.

The term "cost plus percentage," which was largely responsible for the creation of the new department, became generally known to the public soon after the United States entered the war. The nation realized at the outset that much of its effectiveness in the war depended upon its getting out its shells, guns, and other war materials quickly. This being a peace nation, the factories were not generally equipped for the kind of work suddenly required of them, and plans had to be made to stimulate production. So the Government decided on the plan of guaranteeing manufacturers the cost of production with a certain percentage over for profits. The share for profits usually allowed at first was 10 per cent., but other agreements were made on a unit basis in which the percentage varied with the contract. In other instances manufacturers willing to work for the Government were handicapped by lack of equipment and capital, and the Government erected many new factories at its own expense.

These and other activities brought with them a host of new financial problems which had to be solved by the Government if the millions of dollars contributed by the taxpayers were not to be wasted. It had to know, first of all, what was "cost" from the manufacturers' standpoint. Some of the factories turning out guns, shells, rifles, &c., were also working on private contracts, and it was important that the entire burden of run-

ning the plant be not charged against the ernment, otherwise the basis for figuring profits might be fictitious and inflate nation be called upon to bear more than the registrate share of the expenses. As a matter of fact, manufacturers have scrupulously refrained from charging more than is properly due them, but precautions had to be taken against those who might be less patriotic. There are some manufacturers in the United States who consider gifts to charitable and other societies legitimate items in "overhead cost," and it was necessary, of course, that these be excluded from the budget when the time came to render the Government's account. Then, too, there were the other contracts not included in the "cost plus 10 per cent." arrangement and the agreements with manufacturers for whom factories had been erected by the Government, and all of these had to be painstakingly figured out if the dollars of the country were to be protected.

#### ACCOUNTANTS NEEDED

So the Government decided to establish a special department to handle this problem of cost and selected L. W. Blyth, now a Major in the Officers' Reserve Corps, to organize it. Major Blyth is 45 years old, and was, until called to Washington, one of the partners in the accounting firm of Ernst & Ernst of New York and manager of its office in Cleveland. He and A. C. Ernst, managing partner in the firm, were called to Washington by F. A. Scott, Chairman of the Munitions Board, to discuss terms, and Major Blyth entered upon his duties last June, establishing headquarters at 1624 H Street, Washington.

The actual work of organizing the new department was not undertaken until Aug. 1, however, and is still far from being completed. Major Blyth was handicapped at the outset by the great demand for certified accountants resulting from the new income taxes, and still needs more than 800 men of this class to complete his organization. The new department has unusual powers, and sometimes as many as twelve of its representatives are on duty at one time at a factory under contract with the Government.

One of the first acts of the new department was to issue specific instructions to its representatives and to contractors of what was to be included in "cost." Following are some of the items of information the manufacturer must supply:

The cost of all direct labor paid for by the contractors and used in the production of the articles contracted for.

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### Money

### Generous Supply of Time Funds Provided by Money Committee to Pave Way for Liberty Loan

THE feature of last week's money market was the generous supply of time money, a great scarcity of which existed during the preceding fortnight. While in the early part of the week banks charged 6 per cent. for collateral loans of all maturities, secured by securities of industrial companies, rates became easier toward the close, with 60-day loans being put through at 5½ per cent. Rates for call money ranged from 6 to 2½

per cent., with 4 per cent. as the fuling rate.

The greatly improved condition of the money market was directly due to the activities of the so-called Money Committee, composed of the Presidents of the largest banks and trust companies in the city and of the Governor of the Federal Re-serve Bank. These bankers held three meetings at which they went over the daily reports of call loans and out-of-town bank balances that had been sent in by the banks in compliance with the request of the Reserve Bank, and they paved the way for co-operative action in respect to supplying the market with the much-needed brokers' time loans. It was estimated that on Monday and Tuesday the banks had put out about \$20,000,000. It is not the purpose of the committee to regulate rates or to dictate to the banks. The committee works something like this: It finds that there is a demand for, let us say, \$10,000,000, and that unless the demand is supplied there is likely to be a disturbance which would adversely affect the stock market. One of the members of the committee suggests that the banks put out the necessary \$10,000,000, and he agrees that his institution will lend \$2,000,000. Thereupon the other members of the committee indicate their willingness to do their share and informally the requirements of the day are provided

The so-called Money Committee is technically sub-committee of the Central Liberty Loan Comtee of the New York Federal Reserve district, ficially it exists exclusively for the purpose aid to the flotation of the Government e success of which a comfortable money requisite. The lack of available time money in the two previous weeks placed the brokerage houses in the position where they were forced to encourage their customers to liquidate their hold-ings. This gave rise to a downward movement in the stock market-a situation which was getting more pronounced every day. It was realized by the bankers that it was their duty to step in and stem the movement, especially in view of the fact that a continuance of the then existing situation would make it very difficult to float the next Liberty Loan. Just as soon as the money situation was taken in hand the stock market showed improve-

Among the important financial transactions the week was the payment of \$300,000,000 for Treasury certificates of indebtedness, approximately one-half of which was supplied by banks in this district. The payments were made in most cases by book entries, the subscribing banks receiving the proceeds as Government deposits. During the course of the week the Reserve Bank, acting as fiscal agent for the United States, withdrew about \$50,000,000 or \$70,000,000 from the banks, but the Clearing House statement of Saturday showed that the banks and trust companies held on Friday night Government deposits aggregating \$278,212,-000, an increase of about \$125,000,000, compared with the figures for the end of the previous week.

This Government transaction was no doubt responsible for the remarkable showing made by Saturday's bank statement. It reported an increase of \$100,718,000 in loans and an increase of \$7,070,000 surplus reserves, with a decrease of \$8,161,000 deposits, (exclusive of United States deposits.) a rule when there is a considerable expansion in loans there is a corresponding increase in deposits, or a falling off in surplus reserves. course, the week saw an increase in deposits, as pointed out above, but the Clearing House stateent does not show it directly for the reason that the banks are not required to maintain reserves against Government deposits. If the \$125,000,000 in Government deposits be combined with the \$8,000,000 decrease in general deposits, we have a net gain of \$117,000,000, which would ordinarily require a reserve of about \$15,000,000, but because of the suspension of the reserve requirement for Government deposits, the banks were in a position to loan out more money and come out with an increase in surplus.

The weekly statement of the Federal Reserve

Bank of New York showed a decrease of \$10,700, 000 in bills discounted and acceptances purchased, the total for discounts being \$27,145,000. This indicates that the banks have not been resorting to rediscounts. Deposits of member and non-member institutions increased by \$10,500,000, while Government deposits decreased by \$12,000,000. The volume of Federal Reserve notes outstanding decreased by \$5,365,000, the total now being \$272,932,-000. The stock of gold behind the notes as security increased by \$6,000,000, while the amount of commercial paper decreased by about \$5,000,000.

One of the reasons ascribed for the tightness in money rates is that the Government is slow in paying its bills. The war has greatly increased its purchases of supplies, and the accounting machinery has evidently not yet been adjusted to the in-creased volume of business. Under the circumstances, manufacturers and contractors furnishing the United States with materials of one form or another have to finance themselves by borrowing from the banks. When the Government gets to the point where it can pay its bills more promptly it is expected that this demand will be considerably

It has been announced that the Canadian banks would withdraw from New York about \$10,000,000 which is in the call money market. This is to be transferred to Montreal and Ottawa to be put out on call for the purpose of steadying Canada's money market during the flotation of a \$150,000,000 Dominion loan.

### Stocks-Transactions-Bonds

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	1917.	1916.	1915.
Monday	688,823	1,162,523	869,811
Tuesday	628,633	1,039,435	871.771
Wednesday	800,660	1,109,215	1.109,784
Thursday	781,046	1,331,818	988,522
Friday	641,156	1,520,809	951,842
Saturday	368,643	994,940	571,611
Total week	3,908,961	7,158,740	5,363,341
Year to date.	136,518,451	131,405,801	109,427,330
1	BONDS. PA	R VALUE	
	1917.	1916.	1915.
fonday	\$3,356,500	\$4,383,000	\$3,203,500
Tuesday	3,375,000	5,019,000	3,899,000
Wednesday	2,887,500	4,721,000	4,003,500
Thursday	3,387,500	4,019,500	3,160,000
riday	5,895,500	5,459,000	3,945,500
Saturday	1,588,500	2,049,500	2,963,000
Total week	\$20,490,500	\$25,691,000	\$21,174,500
Year to date.	696,844,400	756,135,500	583,194,250
In detail las			ns compare
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R.R. and misc.		Sept.23,'16. \$19,147,500	_	Change.
Government	14,336,000	6,253,500	+	8.082.500
State	21,000	17,000	+	4,000
City	166,000	273,000	-	107,000
Total all	\$20,490,500	\$25,691,000	_	\$5,200,500

### Stocks-Averages-Bonds

### TWENTY-FIVE RAILROADS

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					Net Sa	me Day
		High.	Low.	Last.	Ch'ge. 1	Last Yr.
Sept.	17	65.85	65.02	65.65	54	81.61
Sept.	18	65.56	64.99	65.19	46	81.54
Sept.	19	66.27	65.30	66.11	+ .92	80.97
Sept.	20	66.54	65.91	66.26	+ .15	81.20
Sept.	21	66.33	65.89	66.14	12	81.24
Sept.	22	66.72	66.22	66.55	+ .41	81.24
	TW	VENTY	-FIVE I	NDUST	RIALS	
Sept.	17	80.93	78.93	79.54	-1.54	104.87
	18		78.70	79.51	03	104.42
	19		80.05	81.96	+2.45	103.92
Sept.	20	83.72	81.89	83.40	+1.44	
Sept.	21	84.13	82.61	83.58	+ .18	105.88
	22		82.59	82.75	83	106.42
C	OMBIN	ED A	VERAGI	FIFT	Y STOC	KS
Sept.	17	73.39	71.97	72.59	-1.04	93.24
	18	72.83	71.84	72.35	24	92.98
Sept.	19	74.22	72.67	74.03	+1.68	92,44
	20		73.90	74.83	+ .80	93.12
	21		74.25	74.86	+ .03	93.56
	99		74 40	74 85	91	02.63

### Bonds-Forty Issues

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					Net		Day
			Clos	8. (	Chang	e.	1916
Sept.	17		80.9	4	0	1	86.7
Sept.	18		80.7	9	1	5	86.7
Sept.	19		80.7	0	0	9	86.70
Sept.	20		80.6	0	1	0	86.7
Sept.	21		80.5	2	0	8	87.0
Sept.	22		80.5	0	0	2	87.0
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	High.						₩.
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1916.	.101.51 Nov.	80.91 A	pr.	89.48	Nov.	86.19	Apr
1915.	94.13 Oct.	58.99 F	eb.	87.62	Nov.	81.51	Jan
1914.	73.30 Jan.	57.41				81.42	
1913	79.10 Jan.	63.09 J				85.45	Dec.
1912.	85.83 Sep.	75.24 F	eb.				
1911::	.84.41 June					****	
•To	date.	Care n	91-	14.15		140 1 140	

### Exchange

### Japan Puts Gold Embargo in Force as Offset to Decline of Imports from United States

THE gold situation continued last week to occupy the centre of attention in matters pertaining to the foreign exchange market. The termination of the Government to exercise a firm control over exports of the metal received further evidence in the practical cessation of the outflow in the first half of the week, while the total released up to Saturday noon was under \$2,000,000. Of this the major part was taken in bars for shipment to South America, the balance being split up into small consignments to Japan and other coun-

The decision of the Treasury authorities to conserve gold holdings has found quick reflection in similar action by Japan. News was received from Tokio that the Mikado's Government was supervising the outgo of gold, particular attention being given exports to China. Presumably, the move-ment to Shanghai had gained impetus of late and was not arousing concern in Japan prior to the embargo on gold shipments from the United States. The metal which went to Chinese banks was steadily being replaced by American gold, and at the same time the Japanese accumulations were being increased because imports from America exceeded by a substantial margin exports from Japan.

Japan has been letting her gold move out rather freely for some months, the result of cotton importations from India. Payment for this cotton has been made to a large extent in gold, as Indian exchange has been scarce in Tokio. In local banking circles with connections in Japan it was said after the embargo went into effect that gold exports to India would probably be permitted as cotton was needed and there was no way of paying for it at the present time except in "hard" money.

The impression gained ground in Wall Street that licenses for gold exports to be issued through the Federal Reserve Bank would be closely limited to transactions of a certain class. Where payment for goods imported from other countries can be made easiest and cheapest in gold, permission to ship the metal is expected to be given freely. It is not likely, however, that the metal will be allowed to go out where the purpose is chiefly to secure a profit on the transaction, derived from the position of exchange rates. A lot of gold is understood to have gone to Spain in recent months be-cause, despite high freight and insurance rates and the discount on gold established by the Bank of Spain, there has been a fair margin of profit above all expenses.

The exchange market itself was dull and uninteresting throughout the week. Rubles advanced to 17.75 cents for check transfers, compared with the preceding week's minimum of 15.50, on the strength of more favorable news from Russia. Russian bonds, too, improved their position. The rise of Russian exchange appeared to be influenced directly by the stronger tone in London. Scandinavian rates were firm, moving into new high ground and pesetas also advanced.

The range for the principal exchanges during the week was as follows:

Par.			Week	% Disc. fr. Par
Sterling 4.866	5 4.7550	4,7545	4.7545	2.2
Francs 5.1826			5.79%	10.6
Marks No qu				
KronenNo qu	otations			
Guilders40.19	42.061/4	42.00	42.00	04.8
Lire 5.1820	7.621/2	7.77	7.75	33.1
Rubles51.45	17.25	15.85	17.75	65.5
Swiss francs 5.1826	4.661/2	4.701/2	4.661/2	*11.0
Pesetas19.20	22.85	22.30	23.00	•19.7
Pesos, (B.Aires).42.44	42.85	42.75	42.76	*0.8
Milreis, (Rio)32.44	24.78	24.71	24.78	23.6
Kroner. (St'k'm)26.75	33.80	33.60	33.75	*26.1
Per cent. premium o	ver par.			

#### VEARLY RANGE-CHECK RATES

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Eterling 4.7585	Low. 4.75				
Francs 5.6814	5.85%	5.83%	6.08%	5.17	6.03
Marks73.00	66.25	78.87%	65.93%	87.37%	75.87%
Guilders42.25	40.3714	42.18%	40.00%	43.37%	39.18%
Swiss frs 4.39	5.161/2	4.99	5.331/2	5.25	5.52
Rubles29.90	11.50	.34.25	29.40		**** .
Pesetas23.70	21.05	21.50	19.00	****	****
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### European Financial Cables

### THE BOURSE REFLECTS OUR "ASSURED FINANCIAL AID"

Speculative Activity Gives Whole Russian
Group a Vigorous Advance
—Market Firm

By Cable to The Annalist PARIS, Sept. 22.

THE Bourse closed firm this week. Monday's and Tuesday's markets were characterized by the vigorous recovery of the entire Russian group. The 5 per cent. loan of 1906 advanced five points, while leading Russian banks rose 25 to 50 francs, and the principal industrials swung several points above last week's quotations. But the demand slackened toward the end of the week. Movements in this section were mainly speculative, as the internal situation in Russia was still obscure.

Because of the approaching third French War Loan some irregularity in national funds was apparent. Rentes were weaker, quoted at 61.75 ex coupon, but the War Loan held firmly at 88.20. The rest of the market was active, particularly war stocks, shipping issues, coppers, and similar metal values. Hotchkiss gained 100 francs, Gnome Airplane Motors 200 francs, Transatlantique 35 francs, and Rio Tintos 100 francs during the week.

The Mexican group of rubbers and silver mines all closed hard, Ticapampa gaining another 20 francs.

The British success in the north, the firm policy of the new Cabinet, coupled with reports of ever-growing activity on your side, and assured financial assistance rounded off a busy week in optimistic fashion.

Gold holdings of the Bank of France amounted to 3,280,447,257 francs. Advances for the war increased 50,000,000 francs, and foreign advances increased 20,000,000.

#### AMERICAN WAR PREPARATIONS BRIGHTEN LONDON MARKET

Failing Favor of Exchequer Bonds a Forecast of Coming Big Long-Term Operations

By Cable to The Annalist

LONDON, Sept. 22.

THE markets, with one or two prominent exceptions, were brighter on news of the successful British offensive and evidence of great American war preparations. Business developed more activity in the final days of the week and the best prices were reached in the closing session. British Government securities were checked by the continued discussion of new borrowing projects. The Treasury received many suggestions, but details were not finally settled.

A new loan is contemplated to cover the expenditures of the last months of the current year. There is anticipation of new big long-term operations early next year as existing Exchequer bonds are no longer popular and were withdrawn today. The Government will doubtless endeavor to provide other attractions in order to arrest the growth of the foating debt which, including ways and means advances, much exceeds the total of a year ago.

Argentine railways were depressed because of increasingly serious labor troubles, but heavy declines attracted buyers and a moderate recovery followed. American and Colonial railways were idly dull, but British railway stocks shared improved sentiment toward Russian securities. All classes of securities reflected the steadier political and military situation, Government and guaranteed railway bonds scoring fair gains. Miscellaneous activities were still directed chiefly toward rubber shares, with Java issues increasingly popular. Advances a some instances were very striking, notably

Anglo-Dutch, whose improvement exceeded 6 shillings.

All wireless shares were steadily supported with Marine Communication showing the principal advance. Dealings in explosive shares were small pending publication of terms of the projected merger which is expected some time in October. Much detail is still to be arranged. The rise of nitrate shares continued stimulated by new important purchases of ground by leading companies and a substantial demand for Watney Combe Brewery deferred carried the price rapidly forward.

Speculative energies were also directed to the numerous mining shares. Silver issues were aided by the continued strength of the metal which reached 55d. Mexican issues were active. Broken Hills was checked in the first part of the week by labor troubles, but rallied well near the end. Nigerian tin shares were active and strong and Tanganyika and Zambesia were strengthened by reports of the first dividend announcement for the latter.

In the money market balances were freely absorbed by purchases of December Treasury bills, a popular maturity. Demand for money is finding reflection in a firmer tone of the discount market, especially short-dated bills. An issue of French Treasury bills amounting to £2,000,000 maturing Oct. 5 was renewed at 5% per cent. for one year. The National Provincial Bank of England has joined Lloyds Bank in control of a French banking institution known as Lloyds Bank of France. The capital, which at present is £600,000, will be increased to £1,200,000.

A further steady improvement occurred in ruble rates, the range being between 292 and 274, closing near the lower. Unemployment in trade unions in August was five per thousand in contrast with four per thousand workers in May, June, and July.

### RAW COTTON RATES STIR MANCHESTER MARKETS

Renewed Activity Helped by British and French Government Contracts in Heavy Goods

By Cable to The Annalist
MANCHESTER, England, Sept. 22.

THE market has been more active. Business in yarn and cloth was forced out by the hardening tendency of raw cotton rates and many buyers were caught short. There has been a larger turnover in piece goods for India and several minor outlets than for some time back and home trade buyers operated more freely.

The British and French Governments placed substantial contracts in heavy goods and there was an increased turnover in American yarns at advancing prices. Egyptian spinnings were rather disappointing. Freights to India are to be raised by one-third from November.

Government regulations for the reopening of the Liverpool market at the beginning of October have not yet been announced.

SHORTAGE of coal has caused Sweden to try new methods to augment the supply. At different times coal ships have sunk along the coast, and from one, the Ekliptikas, which sank about twenty-five years ago, the cargo of coal has been raised and sold at a little less than market prices. The coal was found to be as good as ever.

PRADE figures for the month of August show the exports of Japan to have amounted to 138,000,000 yen, an increase of 38,000,000 yen over August, 1916, while imports were valued at 73,000,000 yen, against 54,000,000 yen for the corresponding month of 1916. The export surplus amounted to 62,000,000 yen.

THE strict control of alcohol in Sweden shows its effect on institutions for alcoholic patients, where the numbers have so decreased that there is talk of changing the sanitariums into homes for convainments.

### BRITISH MUNITION MAKERS PLAN AFTER-WAR COMBINE

Special Correspondence of The Annalist LONDON, Sept. 6.

WHILE everybody is merrily making munitions now, folk who were in business before the war have naturally to think about what their position will be when it ends. What line the great armor-plate manufacturing companies will take remains to be seen. Manufacturers of explosives seem already to have decided that greater co-operation will be the best defense of their business after the war. The result has been a certain amount of negotiation between them, and a substantial rise in the prices of their shares. The following table shows the extent of this rise in the case of six companies engaged in the manufacture of explosives, and the amount of their capital invested in the business is also shown therein:

	re Capital			Price	В
8.1	nd Bonds.	This	Year.	Sept.	3.
Name of Company,	£	S.	d.	S.	d.
Curtiss & Harvey	881,000	31	136	43	-
E. C. Powder	50,000	22	6	38	
Eley Brothers	300,000	26	6	38	
Kynoch	2,000,000	43	9	37	
National Explosives	154,000	19	6	37	
Nobel	2,793,000	43	6	74	

The figures for Nobel do not include £1,200,000 of reserves.

ON account of the scarcity of gasoline in Stockholm many of the automobile cabs have been withdrawn from service. With permission of the Government forty of these automobiles have been shipped to Russia, but without their rubber tires, as the export of rubber has been prohibited.

### European Bank Statements

#### Bank of England

Sept. 20

	Change from	
1917.	Previous Week.	1916.
Circulation£40,665,000	+ £132,000	£35,972,870
Public deposits 40,764,000	- 1,825,000	52,992,848
Private deposits128,236,000	+6,890,000	104,185,085
Govt. securities 58,145,000	+ 378,000	42,187,629
Other securities 96,461,000	+4,312,000	96,102,911
Reserve 32,508,000	+ 357,000	37,056,500
Prop. res. to lia., % 19.23	38	23.57
Bullion 52,723,762	+ 488,958	54,579,370
Bank rate, Sp 5		

#### Bank of France

Sept. 20

1917. Francs.	Previous Week Francs.	
Gold 5,317,556,125		4,826,723,276
Silver 260,135,000	+ 619,000	338,040,344
Note circulation.20,956,051,000	+118,886,000	16,653,451,175
Bills discounted. 570,729,000	+ 23,756,000	371,288,140
Treas. deposit 32,373,000	+17,504,000	123,190,690
Advances 1,112,290,000	-7,052,000	1,175,044,218
Gen'l deposits 2,723,200,000	+ 93,822,000	2,180,615,417

### Bank of Germany

Changes in Statement to Sept. 15

	Marks.
Total coln and bullion	+ 4,154,000
Gold	+ 124,000
Treasury notes	+7,355,000
Notes of other banks	+ 3,203,000
Bills discounted	-2,722,000
Advances	+ 641,000
Investments	-2,451,000
Other securities	+80,197,000
Notes in circulation	+41,975,000
Deposits	-10,122,000
Other liabilities	+58,434,000
The Bank's holdings of gold total 2.403,700.	.000 marks.
comparing with 2,470,200,000 marks a year ago	and 2,414,-
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comparing with 2,470,200,000 marks a year ago and 2,414,-200,000 marks two years ago. Discounts and advances, 10,887,713,000, compared with 7,500,120,000 marks a year ago and 5,166,240,000 marks two years ago. Circulation, 9,474,709,000, as compared with 6,878,820,000 a year ago and 5,570,680,000 marks two years ago.

#### Bank Acceptances

SPOT DELIVERY

20.00			
Eligible	30 Days.	60 Days.	90 Days.
acceptances-	Bid. Asked.	Bid. Asked.	Bid. Asked.
Member banks	1% 31/4	3% 3%	3% 3%
Non-member b'ks 3	178 3%	314 34	311 3/4
Non-eligible ac'pt 4	14 3%	4% 4	5 4
FOR DELIV	ERY WIT	HIN 30 DAY	3

B	
Eligible member banks 3	
Eligible non-member banks 4	
neligible bank bills 5	1/2

### BUREAU OF APPLIED ECONOMICS

Southern Building Washington

Our Department of Banking and Public Finance has just published as a Bulletin, a critical estimate of the Federal Farm Loan Act by the agricultural economist, Dr. Jesse E. Pope. 'Copies way be had post paid on a payment of \$1.00.

### Billion-Dollar Auditing a War Need

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The cost of all direct materials contained in the

A daily time report for each workman, the descrip-tion of the work performed by him, and the amount

Whether factory is operated on an hourly rate or on a piece work basis.

The amount of overtime allowance.

The total amount earned by the workers,

A complete description of all the raw materials enering into the contract.

The quantity of each part necessary to assemble one complete unit.

The salaries paid by an employer to his officials and derical force, who are not directly employed in making munitions.

The cost of fuel, small tools, water, machinery, re-pairs, liability insurance, building maintenance, de-preciation, and other "indirect" expenses.

There being a Federal law that the United States cannot buy for a manufacturer any equipment or building necessary to his trade, the structures erected by the Government for the production of munitions are the property of the nation, and they cannot, under the ruling of the new department, be classified among the list of items upon which a percentage of profits is allowed the con-tractor. Nor is the manufacturer permitted to include in the item of "cost" what is paid out by him

for traveling salesmen, or to officials connected with the sales department. The United States already being a customer, it is not expected to help defray the expenses of the factory in acquiring new customers, or in advertising its business. Interest on investment, or on bonded dobt, is also excluded from the obligations of the Government, as are various other items not in any way related to the manufacture of munitions. And so, of course, are gifts tc charity.

#### ALREADY A SUCCESS

Notwithstanding the many requirements on the manufacturer, the new department, although only about six weeks old, has assisted greatly in facilitating the dealings of contractors with the Gov-ernment, and has eliminated much of the "red tape" sometimes encountered in dealing with Administration officials. By stating clearly what was to be allowed as "cost," the department informed the manufacturer exactly what he was to be allowed, and he had the assurance that he would

be paid promptly.

Although the new department is still far from complete, it already has on its rolls more than 150 expert accountants, and will have 1,000 before the end of the year. Men eligible for this service must be between 23 and 45 years old, and they are paid from \$1,200 to \$2,700 a year. Many of the men employed are expert accountants who earned much more than this in private service, and entered its service out of a patriotic desire to serve the Government.

### Lumbermen Are Scarce in Northern Woods

Special Correspondence of The Annalist MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 22.

WHERE to get the men is the problem before Minnesota lumbermen who are beginning, seasonably, at this time to cast about in prepara tion for next Winter's logging operations. It is not so much that the draft has taken away the men, although it has drawn a good many from Duluth and other outfitting centres. The men seem to have found employment instead in the Northern Minnesota iron mines, on lake steamers and on the docks at lake ports and in general labor, some, indeed, going into industrial plants, although for the most part the logger is an outdoor bird and does not like to go inside to work.

Minneapolis labor agencies are offering \$45 to to \$55 a month for men to sign up for the woods. This is the highest record, including, of course, board and quarters and, meaning, virtually, that much saving possibility.

A REPORT issued by the U. S. Geological Survey, Dea partment of Interior, shows the potash production of the United States for the first six months of 1917 to have exceeded that of the year 1916. The amount of available potash (K 2 O) was 14,023 short tons, and the value at the point of shipment amounted to \$5,864,039.

#### Survey of United States Wartime Business in the

THE first general survey of business conditions throughout the country since the United States entered the war against Germany has been issued by the Controller of the Currency from reports made to him by the National Bank Examiners in each of the twelve Federal Reserve

Bank districts. On last April 23 THE ANNALIST printed a similar report giving the condition on April 1, a few days before our entrance into the world war, and a comparison of the two happily shows that to date business has felt no harmful effect from the war.

No business or bank failures are reported.

crop conditions are generally recorded as excellent, and there is little unusual depression marked except in the building trades, where high cost of materials has had an effect and in the industrial activities of distinct sections where the influence of the I. W. W. is apparently to be

Fed. Res. Dist.	General Condition of	Leading or Unusua Activities.	Leading or Unusual Depressions.	Demand for Money.	Extensions of Credi	t. Crop Conditions.	Other Matters of Interest.
1	high level.	Maximum activity agriculture and Go ernment contract Practically all lin operating at capacit	s. None reported.	There is no extensive demand for money.	Lines and extension to customers are heav ier than usual.	All crops good. Price of grain extremel high. Price of ha	e Labor scarce. Thirty one shoe factories y Lynn, Mass., no closed, soon to reope
2	Steady. Improvement in some sections.	Farming and manifacture of munition Activity also reports in shipbuilding, paper and kutting mills, an manufacture of hat shoes, electrical supplies, and farm implements.	d Greatest depression is findustries connected with building operations.	n d Generally good, bu	About normal, but it some country districts, renewals run stronge than in bast.	n Prospect of large crops s is good and prices well maintained.	Banks generally ab to meet local deman for money. Farm li bor scarce.
3	Somewhat unsettled Outlook most encour aging.	cipally for Govern	Wool market quiet and footwear selling slow dly. Few building gunder construction.			Crops most satisfictory, especially twheat, corn, tobacco, fruits, and vegetables.	
4	Very good.	Iron, steel, coal, coke	Contracting and build ing business dull owing to high cost of ma terials.	Demand a triffic stronger than for some time.	Commercial paper being taken up satisfactorily. Usual extensions to local borrowers.	Crops of all kinds looking fine. Garden cultivation proved very satisfactory.	
5	Unusually active, particularly for this sea son of the year.	1	1	1	1	Crops unusually good,	Government work
6	Satisfactory, but leactive than in June and July.	Textile mills.	None. Retail business comparatively quiet.	Demand for money slightly stronger.	Practically no loans being paid. Banks well fortified in meet- ing demands.	Fair in northern and excellent in southwestern part of district. Rice damaged by hot weather. Corn very good.	
7	Steady.	Shiphuilding and steel industries.	Building trades and high-priced pleasure ca.s of the automobile industry.	Good in cities; light in agricultural sec- tions.	Loans generally not being paid.		General business con ditions are sound, an as soon as the revenu policy of the Govern ment has been deter- mined, renewed activi- ty is expected.
8	Steady.	Coal and agriculture.	None reported.	Moderate.	Generally renewed.	Crops good except hay; corn crop very large, also potatoes.	
9		No special activity in any line.	Building industries on account of high prices of materials.	Unusually large for this time of year.	Little liquidation at this season. Banks will have to carry con- siderable paper in Montana, due to poor crop.	Crop situation better than expected. Wheat, barley, and oats fair. Corn better than av- erage.	-
10	Steady and improving.	Oil, farming, and stock raising.	Mining, due to labor troubles, and in retail- ing due to high cost of living and high prices.	Normal, with prospects for heavier call when crops are marketed. Banks in good condi- tion and able to meet demands for money.	Liquidation of debts has not commenced, generally. Some sec- tions are paying off toans faster than banks can find a market.	Crops generally good.	All industries, except mines, appear to be working under high pressure.
11	Generally normal.	Factories catering to Government business, such as cottons, over- alls, and leather goods.		Light at this time, but will probably be heavy later for crop-moving purposes.	Time for liquidation of debts in this district is now commencing.	Generally good.	abor troubles in Ari- cona have caused un- mployment, retarded unsiness, and curtailed all mining expansion, neveral of the larger nices—being shut lown.
12	Very good.	Mining, farming, food products, fruit, lum-	Real estate, building, and machinery and	Good generally, most	Loans at this season	Grain crop below nor-limal. Salmon catch were then usual. Fruit	New lands being put inder cultivation and Il crops will be in-

### Cotton

### Strong Advance in Prices Partly Attributed to Reported Activities of Western Gamblers

CONSIDERABLE increase in export and do-A CONSIDERABLE increase in Considerable mestic trade buying, much of it for immediate shipment, as shown by the remarkable advance of spot prices in Southern markets, appears to have been the principal feature in a week character-ized by a steady and strong advance in prices of the entire list on the local cotton market. large short interest, disclosed by the early rise, played its part in accelerating the advances on single day sessions, but the continued strength of market, even after this interest had been practically entirely covered, showed that it had been only incidental.

Renewed peace talk, together with unfavorable weather reports and scaling down of crop estinates early in the week, received credit in some circles for the advance, but it was noticeable that on Saturday, in the face of the pessimistic attitude induced by the German and Austrian replies to the Pope and their reception in Entente capi-tals, and in face, moreover, of renewed optimism regarding the crop outlook, the market not only remained firm but continued to advance, closing at the end of the week at virtually the highest level attained, and a net advance for the week of 4 cents or better above the low figures of the previous week.

The following table gives the closing prices for the week, compared with the previous week's final figures, and the high and low records for the

Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	March.	May.	
Week's close24.50	24.24	24,20	24.35	24.48	
Prev. week's close 20.28	20.13	20.09	20.23	20.40	
Season's highest 27.00	27.14	27.18	27.37	27.48	
Season's lowest13.65	13.77	15.58	18.37	19.70	

The underlying causes for the improvement appear to have been a general realization that, despite war's demands upon all industry, the demand for cotton goods, and the domestic production thereof, may be expected to continue increasing, while reports from England strongly indicate that mething very like a wholesale revival in th Manchester spinning mills is not unlikely. The postponement of the expected general offensive, and the development of the full resources of the United States to assist in piling up munitions for next year's assault upon the German lines are counted upon to ease the British labor market, and as the British Government is not allowing its preoccupation with the war to lead it into neglect of the industries which have contributed most largely to the wealth of the nation, this means, in opinion of close observers, that any surplus of labor is likely to be returned to the cotton spindles.

It is also remarkable that the advance was com paratively slow in starting, as well as remarkably steady and sustained once it got under way. Monday was, as usual, a dull day, but there seemed to be even more than the usual backing, filling, and waiting upon events. There were, indeed, fully as many gloomy prognostications, based on reports of actual further reductions in output for the Man-

chester mills, as agreeable ones. Overnight, however, the complexion of affairs entirely changed. The market started off with a rush at the opening on Tuesday, and never from then until the closing bell on Saturday did it falter more than momen-The steadiness of the advance is shown by the fact that not once did any day's trading threat en to approach the three-cent change limit imposed by the Board of Governors, nor did any day mark even a temporary halt. Each morning the market opened from 5 to 20 points higher than it had closed the night before, and each night the closing prices were a little over or a little under a cent a pound higher than the previous night.

A curious feature of the rise was that one optimistic feature, which ordinarily would have attracted attention, and which if pessimistic would infallibly have been commented upon-the submarine report, which showed the smallest percentage of sink ings of large ships yet recorded—was scarcely men-tioned in such comment as was heard. The fact The fact that the day following the publication of the report, Thursday, was the best day of the week, with the most marked advance, may indicate, however, that traders, while talking mostly of the weather and of peace prospects, took it also into consideration. The difference between Thursday's and Wednesday's or Friday's market, however, was not considerable It is significant of war conditions, moreover, that despite the apparent breadth and steadiness of the market and the undertone of strength revealed right up to closing for the week, very few even of the usually more voluble prophets would venture more than the most cautious predictions regarding the future of the market.

One of the more original explanations for the week's upward turn lay in the attempt to prove a connection between cotton and wheat prices. It has been reported, as a feature of the market, that much of the earlier buying, which left comparatively few speculative offerings available toward the nd of the week, and so contributed to the rapidity of the jumps taken by quotations on Friday and Saturday, came from Western speculators. Since the Board of Trade in Chicago has been virtually shut down by the prohibition of trading in wheat futures, it is said, many of the big gamblers there have been seeking a new outlet for their energies, and have hoped to find it in cotton—indeed, it was reported there was talk of starting a cotton market in Chicago, for no other reason than this. These Western speculators, it is said, have been buying and holding cotton in considerable quantities, be-cause of a calculation attempting to show that on comparative prices, \$2.20 wheat—which the farmers assert is too low—is equivalent to 28-cent cotton. The precise basis of this comparison was not revealed, but it is said to have been accepted with sufficient faith to set Westerners buying 21, 22 and 23-cent cotton with might and main.

ACCORDING to the Department of Com A CCORDING to the Department of Commerce, the island of Jamaica offers an attractive market for American shoe manufacturers. The products of the island, such as sugar, coroa, coffee, pimento, and honey are now selling at good prices, which enable the inhabitants to purchase imported goods more freely.

The market is, however, rather small, the sale of imported shoes being restricted to 100,000 of the 850,000 inhabitants.

American manufacturers are now supplying three-

American manufacturers are now supplying three-ourths of the \$409,000 worth of shoes imported annually into the country.

### NEW ENGLAND CLOTH MARKETS RENEW ACTIVITY

Buyers Provide Against Price Advance and Broadened Demand, Though Not, Sure Low Mark Is Reached

Special Correspondence of The Annalist FALL RIVER, Sept. 22.

THE cloth markets throughout New England, as well as those elsewhere, manifested more activity this week than for the last few weeks. But in spite of this renewal of activity prices are not so high as they were a few weeks ago. Buyers believe that now is the opportune time to buy moderately, not because they think prices are as low as they may go but because they figure it out that mills are in better shape now to take on new business than they might be later, when prices will advance and the demand broaden. The week closed with prices firmer and buyers enlarging upon their The following are comparative quotations:

	Sept. 22.	Sept. 22, 1916.
28-inch 64-64se	7% c	4%C 4%C
27-inch 64-608	7c	41/90
27-inch 56-56s	9%c	31/4c 67/8c
38½-inch 64-60s	9%c	6%c

While it is a fact that prices are lower than they have been, it is equally true that a greater degree of firmness has been given to prices in the closing days of the current week; during the week previous some goods could be purchased at lower prices than those quoted. The wide end of the market is firm, and reports are to the effect that manufacturers of narrow cloths are holding out for higher prices ir. some cases, while in other instances some quotations are being very firmly adhered to.

### Prices

### Cotton Futures-New York

Sept		Oct		De	C
High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Sept. 17	* *	20.43	20.08	20.30	19.90
Sept. 18		20.74	20.35	20.60	20.20
Sept. 1922.65	22.53	21.50	20.80	21.43	20.70
Sept. 2023.10	22.95	22.25	21.33	22.12	21.10
Sept. 21 23.70		23.55	22.20	23,46	22.10
Sept. 22		24.80	60,35	24.00	23.15
W'k's range.23.70	22.53		20.08	24.50	
	ın	Ma	rch	M	ау.—
	ın	- Ma High.			Low.
——Ja High.	Low.		Low.		Low.
Ja High. Sept. 1720.21	Low. 19.83	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
——Ja High. Sept. 1720.21 Sept. 1820.50	Low, 19.83 20.15	Hlgh. 20.37	Low. 20.01 20.33	High. 20.52	Low. 20.21
——Ja High. Sept. 17	Low, 19.83 20.15	Hlgh. 20.37 20.66	Low. 20.01 20.33	High. 20.52 20.80	Low. 20.21 20.48
—Js High. Sept. 17	Low. 19.83 20.15 20.75	High. 20.37 20.66 21.54	Low. 20.01 20.33 20.91	High. 20.52 20.80 21.61	Low. 20.21 20.48 21.08
— Js High. Sept. 17	Low. 19.83 20.15 20.75 21.03	Hlgh. 20.37 20.66 21.54 22.12	Low. 20.01 20.33 20.91 21.20	High. 20.52 20.80 21.61 22.30	Low. 20.21 20.48 21.08 21.39

### Spot Cotton Quotations

I.	ast Wee	k	Month	Year
High.	Low.	Close.	Ago.	Ago.
New York 25.70	21.50	25.70	23.20	16.05
New Orleans23.50	20.19	23.50	24.00	15.50
Galveston25.10	21.50	25.10	23.25	15.65
Savannah23.50	20.50	23,50	23.50	15.6214
Memphis23.50	22.00	23.50	25.00	15.75
Augusta24.13	20.00	24.13	22.19	15.56
Houston25.15	21.70	25.15	23.25	15.55
Liverpool17.82	16.90	17.82	18.90	9.44
*Pence.				

#### Trade Statistical Position Cotton

Crop Moveme	nt In	to Sight	t	
MOVEMENT WEEK				
	1917.	1916.	1915.	1914.
Port receipts	158,872	237,153	274,735	98,702
Overland to mills and Canada	14,884	7,385	6,575	1,807
Southern mill takings, (estimated,) ex- clusive of takings from Southern				
ports	55,000	55,000	80,000	55,000
Gain of stock at interior towns	36,061	115,639	75,344	52,610
Brought into sight for the week	264,817	415,177	436,654	208,119
TOTAL MO	OVEMEN	T		
	1917.	1916.	1915.	1914.
Port receipts	706,593	979,041	751,970	289,569
Overland to mills and Canada	84,507	32,819	39,910	7,458
Southern mill takings	290,000	290,000	375,000	172,887
Stock at interior towns in excess of				
Aug. 1	*55,381	180,685	97,166	120,622
Brought into sight thus far for season 1	,025,719	1,482,545	1,264,046	590,536
The total crop movement is for  *Decrease.	52 days	53 days	55 days	56 days

#### Visible Sunnly Statement

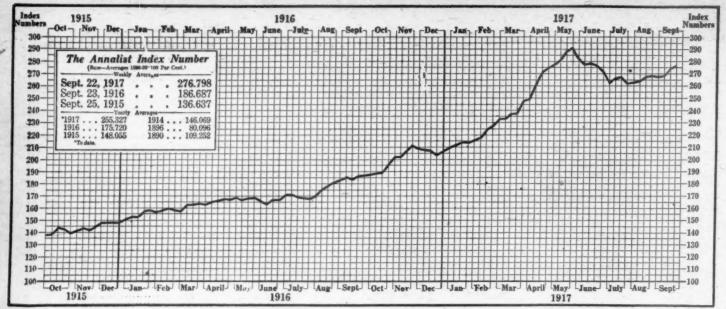
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	19	17	19	16	19	15.
Stocks at	General.	Amer.	General.	Amer.	General.	Amer.
Liverpool	261,000	164,000	588,000	452,000	1,064,000	798,000
London			35,000		72,000	
Manchester	18,000	12,000	28,000	25,000	59,000	47,000
Havre	145,000	128,000	199,000	174,000	201,000	164,000
Other ports, Continent	91,000	75,000	476,000	119,000	180,000	146,000
Alexandria	54,000		18,000	*****	117,000	
Bombay	803,000		419,000	******	492,000	******
Interior towns, U. S	294,233	294,233	513,620	513,630	571,738	571,738
Ports, U. S	557,093	557,093	684,922	684,922	944,159	944,159
Afloat for Great Britain	176,000	135,000	192,000	175,000	146,000	108,000
Afloat for Continent	141,000	109,000	154,000	- 144,000	198,000	-133,000
Coastwise to New York	11,000	11,000	26,000	26,000	17,000	17,000
4. Total	2,579,326	1,485,326	3,033;552	2,313,552	4,031,897	2,928,897
Increase		97,455	182,097	197,097	214,796	230,796

		Receipts,	Export			Stocks		
	Receipts.					,		
Last Week.	Season t 1917.	1916.	La	ek.	1917.	to Date. 1916.		ocks.
53,597	248,661	386,244 Galves			105,314		149,264	163,290
20,062	100,891	148,101New			142,447		84,997	134,132
2,748	18,170	35,731 Mobile		725	14,785		13,697	10,598
53,239	198,934	223,394 Savan			91,731		108,834	153,586
3,715	12,577	28,000 Charle		***		*****	7,410	36,306
4,466	6,898	24,468 Wilmin		***	******	38,871	44,353	40,414
3,491	26,975	50,621. Norfol		169	23,866	16,535	36,950	27,750
265	8,904	1,248 Baltin			10,421	23,476	23,645	4,593
7.120	17,651	1,276New			119,860	124,824	64,669	83,937
1,600	18,009	4,139 Boston			******	5,852	8,887	4.9
758	3,986	805. Philad			1,311	3,267	4.789	***
	****	5,523. Newpo		***	******			
6,232	33,936	25,508. Brunsy			51,564	18,261	4,028	o d
	1,929	Pensac			1,929	5,298	*****	
	5,520	Port			5,520			1/4
		9,270 P. To				48,633	*****	
		11,826San F			******	18,120		
		17,078 Tex. C				11,768	90	15.864
1,579	3,552	5,809. Jackso					4,985	2,237
		distance of the last of the la			-			-
58,872	706,593	979,041 Total	90,1	60 5	68,748	690,048	557,093	684,922
		871 A			ere v			

### Exports and World Takings

EXPORTS FROM UN	VITED ST	FATES	WORLD TAKINGS	OF AMER	ICAN
Last	This	Last	Last	This	Last
Week.	Season.	Season.	Week.	Season.	Season.
Great Britain.6 45,120	379,121	332,038	America 98,202	543,461	449,309
France 35,989	93,930	93,300	Great Britain 38,120	315,121	305,038
Continent 8,391	94,987	214,922	Continent 38,380	210,967	406,222
Mexico 660	660	100	Mexico 660	660	100
Japan & China					49,688
Total 90,160		690,048		1,079,209	1,300,351

### Curve of the Cost of Living



An index number is a means of showing fluctuations in the average price of a group of commodities. The Annalist Index Number shows the fluctuations in the average wholesale price of twenty-five food commodities selected and arranged to represent a theoretical family's food budget.

#### FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

### Barometrics

#### THE STATE OF CREDIT

		Same V	Veek	3	rear	Same	Period
	Last Week.	Last Y	ear.	to	Date.	Last	Year.
Bales of stocks, shares	. 3,908,961	7,158	3,740	136.5	18.451	131,4	105,801
Sales of bonds, par value.	.\$20,490,500	\$25,691	000,1	\$696,8	344,400	\$756,1	35,550
1	High (5.23	High 9	4.53	High	89.30	High	94.53
Av. price of 50 stocks	Low 71.84	Low 9	2.10	Low	71.84	Low	80.91
An enter of 40 hands	High 80.94	High 8	37.02	High	86.39	High	87.49
Av price of 40 bonds	Low 80.50	Low 8	6.70	Low	80.50	Low	86.19
Average net yield of ter	1						
high-grade bonds	4.665%	4.2	280%		1.396%		1.321%
New security issues	.\$27,158,000	\$17,198	3,000	\$1,032,0	78,900	\$1,533,2	34,950
Refunding	******	****		195,9	83,250	232,0	15,000

#### POTENTIALS OF PRODUCTIVITY

#### The Metal Barometer

	End of August	End	of July
19	17. 1916	8. 1917.	1916.
-U. s. Steel orders, tons 10,40	07,049 9,660	.357 10,844,164	9,593,592
		,346 107,820	104,017
. Pig iron production, tons *3,2	47,947 •3,203	,713 †25,660,277	†25,838,679
Month of August, †Eight me	onths.		

#### Building Permits (Bradstreet's)

Aug	ust	Jı	aly	June		
1917.	1916.	1917.	1916.	1917.	1916.	
147 Cities.	147 Cities.	135 Cities.	155 Cities.	162 Cities.	154 Cities.	
\$49,846,652	\$74,598,691	\$53,544,759	\$116,969,714	\$65,541,223	\$96,879,914	

### Alien Migration

	Ju	ne	Ma	у	April		
	1917.	1916.	1917.	1916.	1917.	1916.	
Inbound	11,095 7,462	30,764 6,361	10,487 5,462	31,560 5,233	20,523 2,777	30,560 4,082	
Balance	+3,633	+24,403	+5,025	+26,327	+17,746	+26,478	

### MEASURES OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY

#### Bank Clearings

	ntry estimated from c			93.6
per cent. of th	e total. Percentages	show changes from protection the Week Before. P.C.	receding year.	P.C.
1917		\$5,650,000,000 + 7.7		
1916		5,245,000,000 + 52.7		

#### Gross Railroad Earnings

Second Week in September. 18 Roads. 1917\$10,035,965 1916\$673,155	in September. 25 Roads.	Fourth Week in August. 28 Roads. \$14,825,084	Month of July. 180 Roads. \$333,407,171 289,842,166	Jan. 1 to July 31. 180 Roads. \$2,144,454,367 1,908,645 = 0
Gain or loss. +\$1,362,810 +15.7%			+\$44,565,005	+\$235,811,247

#### The Car Supply

Wet sur-	Aug. 1.	June 30,			Nearest	Report	to Aug.	1	
plus of	all 1917.	1917.	1916.	1915.	1914.	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.
	cars *33,776	•77,682	9,762	265,364	196,665	58,455	56,510	128,091	102,781

### OUR FOREIGN TRADE

July	1,	Seven	Months
1917.	1916.	1917.	1916.
Exports\$373,934.730 Imports 225,926,352	\$444,713,964 182,722,938	\$3,664,830,683 1,778,996,737	\$2,925,510,487 1,467,819,574
Excess of exports. \$148,008,378	\$261,991,026	\$1,885,833,946	\$1,457,690,913

#### Gold Movement at the Port of New York

	Last Week.	Previous Week.	Same Week Last Year.	Year to	Date.—— 1916.
Exports	*	*	\$202,700 130,348	\$27,009,727 3,247,314	\$57,850,429
Excess of exp'ts. • Figures with		r of the Trea	\$72,352 sury Departm	\$23,762,413 ent. †To Mar	1\$882,582 ch 10. ‡Ex-

An New York Clearing Hou	ise Institutions	, Average Figur	29.	
			Cash Re	serve
Week Ended	Loans.	Deposits.	Amount.	P. C
Sept. 22, 1917	\$3,874,965,000	±\$3,693,748,000	\$100,660,000	2.7
Sept. 15, 1917	3,808,276,000	†3,718,134,000	104,542,000	2.8
Sept. 8, 1917	3,850,652,000	*3,712,993,000	109,369,000	2.9
This year's high	3,874,965,000	3,935,991,000	553,824,000	14.78
in week ended	Sept. 22.	April 14.	Jan. 27.	Jan. 20
This year's low	3,334,032,000	3,606,814,000	100,660,000	2.7
in week ended	Jan. 6.	June 23.	Sept. 22.	Sept. 22
Sept. 23, 1916	3,307,093,000	3,438,942,000	437,625,000	12.72
Sept. 16, 1916	3,306,366,000	3,410,312,000	411,348,000	12.00
Sept. 9, 1916		3,408,833,000	410,310,000	12.04
Last year's high		3,601,350,000	523,753,000	14.80
in week ended		Nov. 18.	Jan. 29.	Jan. 29.
Last year's low	3,178,302,000	3,298,133,000	387,562,000	11.15
in week ended	July 22.	July 22.	Dec. 2.	Dec. 2.
*United States deposits de				osits de-
ducted \$153.555-000 +United	States deposit	e deducted \$989	007 000	

Foreign and Domestic Exchange Rates
Exchange on New York at Chicago last week was 10c discount; at Boston it stood at par all week; at St. Louis it ranged from 15@5c discount, and at Saa Francisco 10c premium. The week's range of exchange on the principal foreign centres last week compared as follows:

				Wk	-Yr. to	Date-	-Same	Week, 1916-	
	High.	Low.		Low.		Low.		Low.	
London	4.7550	4.7545	4.755	4.7550	4.7590	4.75	4.75%	4.7511	
Paris	5.79	5.79%	5.781/4	5.81	5.68	5.85%	5.85%	5.86%	
Berlin					73.00	66.25	70.75	69.871/4	
Switzerland		4.701/2	4.544	4.711/2	4.39	5.161/2	5.33	5.331/2	
Holland	42.061/4	42.00	42.121/2	41.871/4	42.25	40.18%	40.871/2	40.75	
Italy	7.621/2	7.77	7.68	7.80%	6.88%	7.86	6.45%	6.46	
Russia	17.25	15.85	16.75	11.50	30.20	11.50	32.55	32.10	
Austria		**	* **	** -	11.90	10.60	12.03	12.00	
London	4.767	4.76%	4.767	4.767	4.77	4.76411/4	4.76%	4.76%	
Paris	5.78	5.78%	5.77%	5.80	5.67	5-8736	5.85%	5.85%	
Berlin			4		73.121/2	66.371/2	70.871/2	63.93%	
Switzerland	4.641/4	4.681/2	4.52	4.691/4	4.37	5.15%	5.321/4	5.32%	
Holland	42.18%	42.121/2	42.25	42.061/4	42.00}	40.25	40.93%	40.811/4	
Italy	7.611/2	7.76	7.66	7.791/2	6.87%	7.851/4	6.4514	6.451/4	
Russia	17.50	16.10	17.00	11.75	21.20	11.75	32.45	31.70	

Austria			12.00	10.62	12.07	12.05
	Cos	t of Mone	у			
	Last	Previous	Year t	o Date.	-Sam	e Week
New York:	Week.	Week.	High.	Low.	1916.	1915.
Call loans	6 @21/2	5 (03	10	11/2	3 @21/2	2 @1%
Time loans, 60-90 days	6 @5	51/2@5	6	21/2	3%@3	2% 6021/4
Six months	0 @51/2	51/2	6	2%	4 @31/4	31/4@3
Commerc. discounts, 4-6 mo	s.51/2@51/4°	54@5	51/2	3	4 @31/4	3%@3%
Other cities: Commercial discounts, 4	By Telegra to 6 months					

### Comparison of the Week's Commercial Failures (Dun's)

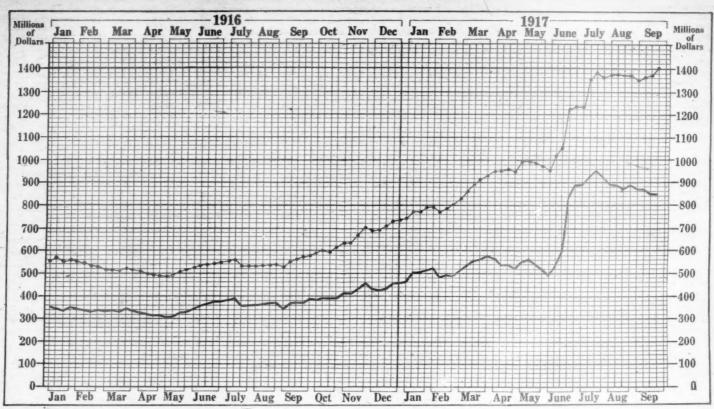
| Comparison of the Week's Commercial Failures
| Week Ended | Week End Over \$5,000. 54 28 36 22 82 5 110 116

	Fa-Aug	ulures by		Eight Months	
Number	1917.	1916.	1917. 9,774	1916. 12,156	1915.
Liabilities	18,085,207	\$20,128,709	\$130,046,996	\$143,091,368	\$225,255,990

#### WEEK'S PRICES OF BASIC COMMODITIES

Current Minimum	Han 191		Mean Price	Mean p	
Price.	High.	Low.	1917.	1916.	1915.
Copper: Lake spot, per lb\$0.27	\$0.37	\$0.2725	\$0.32125	\$0.2866	\$0.1775
Cotton: Spot, middling upland, lb2325	.28	.1430	.2115	.16073	.16073
Hemlock: Base price per 1,000 feet29.50	29.50	25.00	27.25	24.25	23.00
Hides: Packer, No. 1, Native, lb3250	.34	.29	.3150	.275	.22875
Petroleum: Pa. crude at well, bbl 3.50	3.50	2.85	3.175	2.50	1.75
Pig iron: Bessemer, at Pitts., per ton.51.95	57.95	35.95	46.95	30.325	17.50
Rubber: Up-river, fine, per lb	.86	.6750	.7675	.8120	.7150
Silk Raw, Italian, classical, per lb 7.30	7.30	6.30	6.80	5.828	4.15
Steel bille is at Pittsburgh, per ton 70.00	100.00	60.00	80.00	46.04	25.25
Wool: Ohio X, per lb	.73	.37	.55	.27	.27%

### Gold Holdings of the Federal Reserve System



Black line indicates gold reserves of the Federal Reserve Banks. Dotted line shows gold in the Federal Reserve system, including gold in the hands of Federal Reserve Agents.

Actual C	ondition	Sta	temen	ts of	the	Fele	ra! I	Reserv	e Ra	nks	Sej	ot. 21
	Boston.	New York.	Philadelphia.	Cleveland.	Richmond.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kansas City.	Dallas.	San Fran'co.
	Dist. 1.	Dist. 2.	Dist. 3.	Dist. 4	Dist ?	Dist. 6	Dist. 7.	Dist. 8.	Dist. 9.	Dist. 10.	Dist. 11.	Dist. 12.
Total gold reserves Total reserves Bills discounted and	71.434.000	\$616,837,000 656,475,000	\$\$4,686,000 \$5,888,000	\$106,114,000 106,427,000	\$45,588,000 45,738,000	\$37,530,000 37,987,000	\$185,335,000 187,485,000	\$43,005,000 44,218,000	\$48,377,000 48,715,000	\$64,966,000 65,003,000	\$41,630,000 42,160,000	
bought Due to members—	35,402,000	85,655,000	30,052,000	33,329,000	19,944,000	9,279,000	43,470,000	19,936,000	14,137,000	22,746,000	12,188,000	18,632,000
reserve account		442,087,000	70,532,000	99,769,000	37,100,000	26,557,000	158,597,000	43,810,000	38,522,000	67,056,00	31,745,000	61,124,000

### rederal Reserve Bank Statement | Saturday, Sept. 22

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Consolidated statement of the follows:	twelve Federa	Reserve Banks	compares as
	Last Week.	Previous Week.	Year Ago.
Gold coin and certificates in vault  Gold settlement fund  Gold with foreign agencies	373,387,000	\$408,206,000 384,646,000 52,500,000	\$258,711,000 117,791,000
Total gold held by banks		-	\$376,502,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents.	536,009,000	520,470,000 9,127,000	193,110,000 1,941,000
Total gold reserve Legal tender notes, silver, &c	*	\$1,374,949,000 5,085,000	\$571,553,000 7,642,000
Total reserve	\$1,452,251,000	\$1,426,034,000	\$579,195,000
Bills discounted—members Bills bought in open market	\$183,758,000 161,012,000	\$167,333,000 168,445,000	\$27,706,000 83,884,000
Total bills on hand	344,770,000	\$335,778,000	\$111,59 ,,000
U. S. long-term securities	53,929,000	45,358,000	47,553,000
U. S. short-term securities	41,070,000	42,366,000	8,039,000
Municipal warrants	214,000	214,000	24,137,000
Total earning assets	\$439,983,000	\$423,716,000	\$191,319,000
Due from Fed. Res. Banks-net	1,337,000	6,554,000	29,266,000
Uncollected items	237,704,000	224,622,000	
Total deductions from gross dep. Five p. c. redemption fund against	*	\$231,176,000	\$29,266,000
Federal Reserve Bank notes	500,000	500,000	500,000
All other resources	404,000	308,000	8,451,000
Total resources	\$2,132,179,000	\$2,081,734,000	\$808 731,000
LI	ABILITIES		
C-11-1 12 1-	Last Week.	Previous Week.	Year Ago.
Capital paid in	\$59,354,000	\$59,368,000	\$55,423,000
Due to members—Reserve account	25,030,000	21,602,000 1,139,251,000	39,947,000
Due to non-mem. banks, clearing act.	50,779,000	50,621,000	********
Collection items	164,449,000	156,268,000	*********
Total gross deposits	\$1,391,962,000	\$1,367,782,000	\$558,403,000
Fed. Res. notes in actual circulation. Federal Reserve Bank notes in circu-	670,246,000	644,567,000	191,635,000
lation, net liability	8,000,000	7,561,000	2,914,000
Government credit	2,617,000	2,456,000	356,000
Total liabilities	2,132,179,000	\$2,081,734,000	\$808,731,000
Gold res. ag't net deposit liabilities. Gold and lawful money reserve ag'st	74.3%	74.5%	71.2%
net deposit liabilities	78.6%	78.8%	72.6%
Gold reserve and est F. R. notes in actual circulation	81.4%	82.2%	101 00
Circumuon	01.1%	04.4/9	101.8%

	Saturday, Sept. 22	hank	Clear	ings "	The Annalist
	Central	Last	Week	· Vear	to Date -
	Reserve cities:	1917.	1916	1917.	1916.
	New York Chicago St. Louis		\$3,337,797,745 418,957,526 112,832,505	\$130,740,633,280 18,029,031,446 4,782,101,163	14,192,369,327
	Total 3 C. R. cities	.\$3,966,648,451	\$3,869,587,776	\$153,551,765,889	\$124,360,487,634
	Increase			23.4%	
	Other Federal Reserve	cities.			
	Atlanta Boston Cleveland Kansas City, Mo. Minneapolis Philadelphia Richmond San Francisco	242,365,934 72,204,686 159,991,537 41,035,181 346,719,972 30,919,994	\$22,973,025 184,113,053 52,095,817 109,406,782 27,561,279 267,930,927 19,030,000 73,535,368	\$902,763,604 8,848,837,496 2,003,590,963 4,983,837,126 1,102,432,566 11,879,998,203 986,349,733 4,284,848,558	\$603,359,723 7,416,031,564 1,613,591,224 3,243,942,701 962,143,727 8,905,489,087 606,983,321 2,344,631,286
	Total 8 cities		\$756,646,281	\$35,592,658,249 38.5%	\$25,696,172,633
-	Total 11 cities		\$4,626,234,057	\$189,144,424,138 26.0%	\$150,050,660,267
1	Other cities: Baltimore	\$45,743,764	\$36,427,682	\$1,577,384,660	\$1,603,557,348
and the second s	Buffalo Clincinnati Columbus, Ohio Denver Detroit Indianapolis Los Angeles New Orleans Omaha Pittsburgh	42,253,103 10,040,900 20,242,284 55,290,479 13,844,000 26,645,000 37,287,791 39,442,034	16,082,338 35,140,200 9,864,500 15,469,107 50,515,599 10,877,062 25,040,512 24,443,451 28,493,690 69,6-20,51	65e, 445, 982 1,691, 470, 079 381, 450, 800 563, 280, 203 2,007, 476, 708 498, 968, 259 1,081, 135, 050 1,364, 600, 928 1,230, 288, 162 2,814, 073, 922	537,702,647 1,229,914,600 346,044,200 452,847,090 1,543,885,284 400,046,122 904,725,702 859,362,123 865,951,103 2,384,434,130
STATE OF THE PERSONS NAMED IN	Providence	9,251,200 16,221,450 10,568,335	8,788,600 13,625,365 8,436,135	379,057,600 5\$0,441,522 399,606,974	2,384,434,130 355,171,500 524,564,456 337,406,373
-	Total 14 cities	\$427,901,068 21.2%	\$352,814,112	\$15,261,680,849 23.6%	\$12,345,512,678
	Total 25 cities	Married Control of the Control	\$4,979,048,169	\$204,406,104,987 25.8%	\$162,402,172,945

Actual Condition	lear n	g Hou	Se Satu	rday,	Sept. 22.
2	Banks. T	rust Companies.	All Members.	W	eek's Chg.
Loans, &c	2,784,702,000	\$1,111,277,000	\$3,895,979,000		100,718,000
Gold	*48,645,000	59,604,000	108,249,000		7,239,000
Silver	*27,567,000	2,830,000	30,397,000	-	
Legal tender	*20,865,000	2,319,000	23,184,000	-	154,000
National bank notes and Fed.					
eral Reserve notes	11,092,000	3,614,000	14,706,000	-	630,000
Cash reserve, State banks	27,971,000	68,367,000	96,338,000	-	7,475,000
Reserve with depositaries	398,279,000	75,030,000	473,369,000	+	12,906,000
Surplus reserve	78,255,870	4,498,650	82,754,520	+	7,070,110
Net demand deposits	2,575,001,000	926,389,000	†3,501,390,000	-	8,147,000
Net time deposits	75,655,000	128,426,000	204,081,000	-	14.000
National bank circulation	31,866,000	*****	31,866,000	matte	22,000
*Cash in vault of mem	bers of hede	eral Reserve B	ank, not count	ted a	s reserve.

Clearing Hou	e Banks-Average	Figures
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	Loans.	Deposits.	Cash Res.	Loans.	Deposits.	Cash Res.
•1917	\$2,764,090,000	\$2,638,068,000	†\$28,602,000	1911 \$1,354,087,000	\$1,380,158,000	\$367,273,000
•1916.	2,264,231,000	2,405,004,000	339,680,000	1910. 1,281,680,000	1,283,993,000	339,823,000
*1915.	1,944,578,000	2.140,511,000	425,112,000	1909., 1,316,942,100	1,343,551,000	345,765,400
1914	1,592,574,000	1,489,015,000	349,492,000	1908. 1,312,020,500	1,405,935,000	401,523,300
1913	1,360,894,000	1,355,071,000	356,932,000	1907 1,100,351,500	1,055,193,700	269,445,100
dil.	1,338,404,000	1,335,003,100	340,136,000	1906., 1,051,172,800	1,034,059,000	271,055,100
	figures affect		to new syst	tem. †Reserve in S	tate Banks n	ot members

### Bonds

THE opening days of last week's bond market were pages of the same old story. The prevailing weakness in Rails and foreign Governments appeared to be unstemmed, with Liberty bonds standing out as an isolated strength. Here and there an issue was hammered particularly hard, resulting in the establishment of new lows. Selling of New York, Westchester & Boston 4½s continued, induced by the unfounded and positively denied rumor of the New Haven receivership. From an opening of 40 the bonds were forced down to 38 by sellers in dread of a drastic scaling. Other New Haven issues reflected the same abnormal pressure, the notes selling on better than a 16 per cent. yield, the debenture 4s of 1947 and 1956 on a 7% and 7½ per cent. yield, respectively, and the convertible 6s of 1948 at 86%, a full 7 per cent. yield. United States Steel sinking fund 5s came into the foreground with a series of transactions which carried them down to 103, nearly three-quarters of a point below the year's previous figures. St. Louis & Southwestern 4s at 60 were a point and a half below recent prices, and Chesapeake & Ohio convertible 4½s at the opening of 76 were at a new low for this issue, recovering to 77 later in the session. Frisco adjustments, Duluth & Iron Range first 5s, and Erie general 4s were uncomfortably shaky, while the declines in Illinois Central issues have been so severe as to call forth special comment.

On Tuesday and Wednesday the market was considerably less active, and the list, as a whole, seemed to have been relieved of considerable pres-sure. A rather sudden turn in the stock market, which was apparently away oversold, brought with it a sudden secession of selling orders on bonds, which, broadly speaking, responded most satisfactorily. The turn was most appreciable in convertible issues and high-grade mortgages which had sustained past hammering with no apparent good reason for the slaughter. About this time, also, came the an-nouncement of the new financing of the New York Central Railroad Company in the shape of \$15,000, 000 two-year 5 per cent. collateral trust gold notes divided, roughly, one-third for betterments and two-thirds for refunding. Rumor has it that the notes will be offered at 97%, to yield 6½ per cent. Along with this announcement comes the authority from the Public Service Commission for the same foad to issue \$10,000,000 4½ per cent. refunding and improvement under the Series A mortgage.

The change in the security market's window dressing was much appreciated. Traders had al-Traders had alnost forgotten or lost hope in the old "silver ining" adage. American Foreign Securities 5s, which sold at 94% on Monday, were marked up to 95% after the turn. Anglo-French 5s gained a quarter from 92, while French cities and City of Paris 6s trailed along with a smaller gain, to 95% and 91%, respectively. The Dominion of Canada 5s continued well supported on the board, and the last war loan was strong on the Street, on buying from institutions and houses anticipating subscriprom institutions and nouses anticipating subscriptions to the new war loan under discussion. They are convertible at their issue price, like our Liberty Loan 3½s. The Republic of Cuba 5s of 1904 sold at 99½, on announcement that the United States Treasury had subscribed to \$15,000,000 worth of Cuba's new \$30,000,000 internal loan. French Government 5½s were unchanged, and United Kingdom issues, after unusual activity on Monday, steadied to the old price and better on Friday. Great Britain's weekly installment of \$15,000,000 Treasury bills came out on a 5½ per cent. yield, as against a 5½ per cent. yield last the advance being partly due to the frequ offering, but more especially on account of the continued high rates for money.

Atchison general 4s and adjustment 4s made no improvement, both losing a quarter on the week's trading, but Baltimore & Ohio 34s gained %, to 90%. The convertible 44s of 1933 were stronger and the refunding 5s a half better. Chesapeake & Ohio convertible 5s gained a quarter. Burlington-Quincy joints gained a quarter, while the generals were unchanged at 8514. Consolidated Gas 6s, after epening up at 104, came back to 106, and Missouri Pacific general 4s closed up fractionally to 57%. New York Central debenture 6s held at 98% and the general 3%s at 75. Southern Pacific convertible 5s came back half a point and the 4s a quarter, so, taken altogether, there was quite a bit of sunshine after a long rainy season.

Considerable interest is being manifested in the Gillette Safety Razor issue of \$6,000,000 five-year convertible notes. Experts in this market have been totally unable to guess what the public will take, and the results of the syndicate are being

Good buying in municipals continues, with the

inquiry coming mainly from private investors. The approach of tax day has sustained the market in New York State and city securities, and has also made itself felt on the price of Liberty 31/2s.

While business is unquestionably improving, prices are declining, which means that commitments have to be taken and disposed of quickly to result in a profit to the account. If they lag three or four weeks, something new comes into the market at a lower price to absorb watchful capital. The State of South Dakota sold a 4% per cent. loan for farm credit purposes, which was reoffered to the public on a 4½ per cent. basis, and the \$750, 000 State of Arkansas serial 4%s were brought out on the same yield, with good response. Omaha, Neb., after failing twice to sell 4½s, sold \$400,000 5s on a 4¾ per cent. yield. This loan was entirely sold in an hour on a 4.65 per cent. basis. Philadelphia's experiment in again offering \$7,000,000 4s over the counter is turning out better than the pessimists prophesied. Over \$4,000,000 bonds had been taken at the time of going to press.

### In the Market Place

REAL ESTATE broker buttonholed a banker A friend to ask for information regarding the future market movements of stock of a corporation served by the banker. The banker confessed that served by the banker. The banker confes he did not know, and had no way of finding out, whether the price would go higher or lower. But the real estate man was skeptical.

"You must know," he said. "That is your

business. Real estate is my business, and if you asked me whether a certain parcel would appreciate or depreciate I would tell you. Knowing conditions, I pretty nearly know how values are going, and you must have the same opportunities for judging the market."

"If I knew how stocks were going, I would go downtown just one more day," said the banker. After that I should invest my profits and play.

THE President of a prominent financial institution had been too busy to go out for lunch, and sent m messenger for a couple of plain sandwiches. They were brought to him with an expense slip for 70 cents. It was only a few months ago that the executive raised all salaries to meet the higher costs of living, but as he consumed his frugal lunch he began to wonder if the time had not arrived for another upward revision.

NOT so many years ago, when oil prospectors were racing to reach new fields that held the promise of oil, a Western capitalist acquired several thousand acres of sheep grazing land from a cowboy for a few dollars in cash and 10,000 shares of stock in a new oil company he was promoting. The cowboy tried to find a buyer for his handsome certificates and decided he had better hire out at his old trade. A few weeks ago, with the oil shares selling at close to \$40, the prospector tried to locate the man who had sold him his land to discover what he had done with his riches. The newmade capitalist still retained most of his stock, but he recalled that he had given 1,000 shares to a bartender for an evening of entertainment.

BANKER who has close relations with the A Russian Government was sought out one day last week when rubles were selling near their record low point by a man who thought he read in the decline the utter demoralization of Russia and the destruction of its credit. He told the banker that rubles were selling at a discount of 75 per cent, and asked what he should do.

Do?" replied the banker. "Buy rubles! Buy all you can carry, and if they go lower buy som When a man offers you gold dollars at 90 cents you should not have to ask advice as to what vou should do."

WALL STREET is having difficulty in keeping its mind on business. A caller drops in to see the head of his bank to talk about loans and the banker seizes the first opportunity to switch the talk to war. In a moment he reaches into a drawer of his desk and brings out a bunch of letters from a son or nephew in France. After that it is hard to bring the conversation back to money. It is surprising to find how many men of prominence have heirs in the ambulance service.

VON BERNSTORFF'S estimate of the need for \$50,000 to corrupt Congress is not flattering. When corruption of politicians was in vogue in this country it was not unusual for a corporation to spend that much on a single City Council. In those days a dollar went much further, too. The Count's bribery experience, obtained in German politics, has evidently never become Americanized.

### Stocks

THE change that took place in the stock market last week was no less surprising because other right-about-face movements nearly as sudden have On Monday and witnessed in previous years. Tuesday the depression that had gripped the financial district in a cold embrace showed no signs of lifting; on Wednesday prices turned about and large gains were scored before the end of the session. What made Steel worth \$3.25 per share more at the close of Wednesday, with other issues marked up from \$2 to \$6 a share?

The answer is, of course, that stocks were actually no more valuable, but that people thought they were. Sentiment makes a stock market, and entiment last week underwent a quick cha One of the difficulties with which traders have had to contend has been the difficulty of arranging their loans. The banks have been fearful of inupon their reserves and have been loath to put out money except upon call. Brokers dis-couraged customers from buying stocks, and insisted upon unusually wide margins to protect securities they were carrying. It takes a great deal of money to finance a bull market, and the banks were not willing to supply it.

The situation went on from week to week without any appreciable change in sentiment until last Tuesday. On that day a meeting of a number of leading bank Presidents was called for the purpose of discussing ways and means of popularizing the new Liberty Loan. In the course of the meeting the matter of brokers' loans came up, and the point was made that it would be hard to encourage widespread buying of the new bonds when banks were unwilling to put out money for periods running from one to six months. Without any agreement among them, the bankers who attended the meeting came to the conclusion that greater latitude should be adopted in the matter of time loans One man said that he was going back to instruct his cashier to put out \$3,000,000 at the pre vailing rate; another said his institution would loan \$4,000,000. Within a short space of time brokers found liberal offerings of money at 6 per The tension was at once relieved and sto began to go up.

That was one factor, and an important one, in

the rise. Another did not come to light for a day or two, although several big men in the financial district were acquainted with the circumstances. For months past the copper trade has been unsettled by the discussions of the price to be fixed by this Government for metal. The War Industries Foard decided to make the price 23½ cents a pound, to apply to the needs of the United States, the Allies, and private consumers. That figure is a little under the prevailing rate, but nearly 8 cents above the price fixed by arrangement to cover an order of 45,000,000 pounds of copper bought by this Government shortly before it en-tered the war. It was, on the whole, an eminently satisfactory price to the producers.

But the settlement had a further reaching ef-

fect than its influence on the copper trade. It marked a course which it is expected the War Board will follow in adjusting prices for other commodities. Most important among these is steel, and the level fixed for copper gave rise to a ing of confidence that the Government would be as liberal in naming the figure for steel.

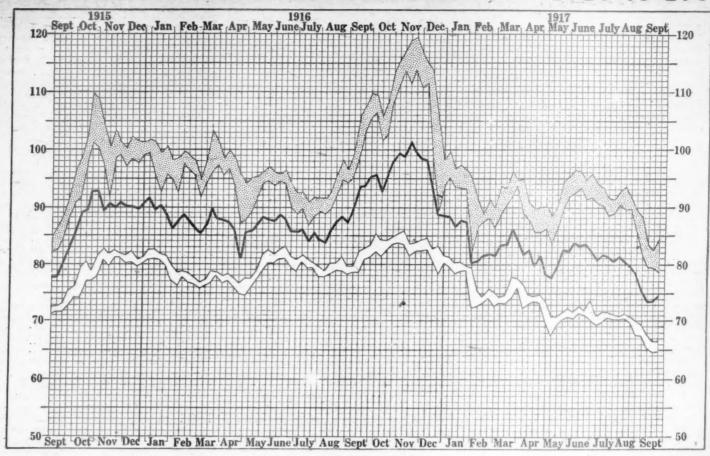
The rise in prices was pronounced for three days, with a reaction on Saturday. The setback was not serious, and obviously resulted largely from profit-taking by traders who had accumulated atocks at the lower levels. At the same time, i was the means of recalling to mind the many un certainties of the war situation, and it is hardly likely that the advance will be resumed at the speed with which it was carried for the three days pre-ceding the setback. So far, the recovery has gone ro further than any rally induced by a long period of liquidation ought to go. It is too early to say that a new bull movement has been started. For the most part, the underlying causes of unsettlement remain.

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Week Ended Sept. 22

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116 128½ 3½		Apr.	13 114	6 Sep	p. 12 A g. 2 A	linn., St.	P. & S. S. P. & S. S.	M 2 M. pf. 1	2,603,400		16, '17 16, '17	31/4	SA SA	101 117 1	98%	98½ - 1½ 117	90 50 20
10 221/4	20 34	⅓ Jan. Jan.	2 23	% Ser % Ma;	). 19 M	lissouri, l lissouri Pa	Kan. & Te K. & Texa cific tr. c	s pf 1	3,000,000 3,248,290		10, '13	2		5 9% 29¼	41/2 97/4 261/4	97% - 3% 28% + 3%	1,100 200 20,200
6814	18 109		24 18	Aug	. 24 M	lonon. Va.	ley Trac.	(\$25).	4,943,425	July	2, '17	11/4	 Q	4.0	49%	50 - 1¾ 18	1,300
109 801/4		1/2 Mar.		% Sep May	. 5 M	iontana F	ower pf ssex (\$50)		9,700,000	July July	2, '17	1%	Q SA	* *		80% — 1 109%	800
130		% July		1/2 Sep Sep	: 12 N	JASH., C	HAT. & Some Co. (	T. L., 16	6,680,200	Aug. Sep.	1, '17 1, '17	31/4 75e	SA Q	321/4		23½ 32½ + ½	2,100
118 124 71	122 127 84	⅓ Jan. Jan. Jan. :	5 96 5 112 22 70	Sep	. 5 N	ational B	iscuit Co. scuit Co. oak & Su	pf 24	9,236,000 1,804,500	July Aug. : July	31, '17	1% 1% 1%	QQQ	102 1	02 1	02	100
106	1123 39	June	29 105 14 26	Sep.	. 5 N	ational Cl at. Condu	loak & Sui it & Cable	t pf (sh.)	4,700,000 250,000	Sep. July	1, '17 16, '17	1%	Q		. 1	71¾ 05 28¼ — %	13,900
19% 90½ 57	993	July 1 July 1 Mar.	12 90	Feb. May Sep.	9 N	at. Enam.	& Stamp. & St. Co. ead Co	pf 8	,546,600	June :	10, '17	2 1% 1	SA Q Q	931/2 9	3%	$43\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{1}{4}$ $93\frac{1}{2} + 1$	14,050
231/4	114	Mar.	6 101 5 15	May	8 Na	ational Le	ad Co. pf Mex. 1s	24 t pf 28	,463,800 ,831,000	Sep. 1 Feb. 1	15, '17	1¾ 2	Q		. 1	08	7(.)
5 15 21	263	Sep. 1 June 1 Aug.	11 20	% Sep.	17 N	evada Cor	of Mex. 2d a. Cop. Co. s, Tex. &	(\$5). 9	,997,285	June 3		\$1	Q	8¼ 22¾ :		7% — ½ 22 + ¾ 26½	1,200 8,200
118 100¼ 33	156 1035	Mar. 2 % Jan. % Jan.	4 74	4 Sep.	6 N.	Y. Cent.	& Hud. R	iver. 1247	,727,900	Sep. 2 Aug.	1, '17	5	Q I	129¼ 11 78¼ 7	9 1	$\frac{29}{77\%} + \frac{7\%}{4}$	2,400 31.400
50 91/4	57 21	Feb. 1	15 45	& Sep.	5 N.	Y., Chi.	& St. Lou & St. L. 2 Dock	d pf 11	,000,000	July			SA.		. 4	231/4	100
25 4 *115 491/4		. Jan. 2		4 June	1 N.	Y., Lack	Dock pf . & Weste H. & Har	rn 10	,000,000		2, '17	2 1¼	Q		. *10	10	
26 20	284	4 Jan. 1	2 191 2 241	4 Sep.	7 N. 23 No	Y., Ont.	& Wester	n 58	,113,900 ,000,000 ,	July 2 Jan.	4, '16 1, '14	4			91/6 2	26 + 56 21% + 1% 24%	1,400
114 841/4 651/4	891/	g Jan. 2 g Feb. g Mar. 2	3 80	Sep.	15 No	orfolk & V	Western Western pi rican	23,	,000,000		9, '17	1	Q		974 11	12% + %	5,900
108	76 1101/4	Sep. 1 Jan.	8 76 3 98½	Sep.	18 No	rthern Ce	entral (\$50	)) 27	,079,550 ,998,400	Aug.	1, '17			76 7	8 7	1214 + 234 16	6,40
105	125	Jan.	9 454				Steel & Co			Sep.		21/2 .	. !		11/2 9	5 + 2	60
5%		Feb. 1 Sep. 2	1 5	Feb.	6 On	tario Silv	el Supply.	15,	,000,000	Dec. 3	0, '02	30e .	2	18 4 7%	34	8 7½ + %	17,100 400 9,700
116		Jan. 2 Feb. 1	7 115	Apr.	20 Ow	ens Botti	e Machine	pf 7,	257,400 J	fuly :		1% (	2 .	89 8		7 - 21/2	800
11% 90 32¼	101	June 2 June 2 Jan. 2	7 97	May	3 P	Pacific To	MAIL (\$5)	1,	150,000 J 700,000 S	Sep.	0, '17 1, '17	50e «	2	27 20	- 10	1	1,800
931/4	981/a 981/4	Feb.	1 94 1 89	June	29 Par 21 Par	c. Telepho n-Am. Pe	phone & Tone & Tel. trol. & Tr.	pf. 32.	000,000 J 000,000 J	uly 16	. '17	11/4 (	5	4 95	9 9 9	4	500
55% 100% 8	1061/4	Jan. 25 Jan. 18 Jan. 24	63	Sep.	5 Per	nnsylvani ople's Gas	R. R. (\$ , Chicago stern	50)499	265,700 A 495,500 A	lug. 31	1, '17	1%	3 1	21/4 51	% 50 % 6	2 5½ + 1¾	8,600 1,600
36% 72	36¾ 73¼	Jan. 17	15 531/4	Sep. May	18 Per 12 Per	e Marque	tte pr. pf.	16,	241,200 169,800 A	ug. 1		i% :		6 18	1	2	2,425
43%	57 20 92	Jan. 8 Mar. 26 Sep. 13	20	June Mar.	8 Per 26 Pet	e Marque tibone-Mu	tte pf lliken lliken lat	6,5	027,700 912,800						43	31/2	
38	42 41%	Jan. 4 June 28	32%	May Sep.	9 Phi 19 Pie	iadelphia rce-Arrow	Co. (\$50). Motor.(s	hs.) 2	43,000 A 213,266 A	ug. 1	, '17 87 , '17 \$1.	.25 Q		5 33 8 37	% 35 37	+ 11/4	400 400
78	82	Aug. 8 Jan. 26 Sep. 22		Sep.	20 Pie: 19 Piti	s., Cin.,	Motor pi	L. 82.1	797,100 J 176,500 A	uly 1 ug. 30	. '17 :	21/2	9	3 93	93	3 - 2	100
156	90	Aug. 16 Jan. 30	85 154	Apr. 2	24 Pitt	s., Ft. W	f Pa. pf f Pa. pf ayne & Ch	11 19,7	14,285 J1			% Q	8	1% 47 6 85	% 51 86 -160		4,100 700
931/2		Jan 8 June 16 June 15		Sep. 1	18 Pitt 16 Pitt	sburgh S	Va. pf	10,5	500,000 S 08,200	ep. 1	17 1	% Q	9	9% 97 8% 24	4 99 4 26	1/6 - 1/8	200 4,050
421/8	2614	Aug. 49	21 58	Sep.	18 Pon	d Cr. Coal	tem.cfs.(s	hg.) 1	12.652 J	ulv 2	17 - 5			2% 21	6 59 22 64		900 500 500
			4											-	-		

#### **CURB TRANSACTIONS**

Trading by Days 

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SEPTEMBER MERRILL INVESTMENT LYNCH SUGGESTIONS & CO. Circular on Request

### **CURB TRANSACTIONS**

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STANDARD OIL STOCKS 

### Note for Adjoining Table

The rates of dividends referred to un-

der note indicated by ? inclu-	
or special dividends as follows:	
Amount.	Kind.
	Back
Am. Brake Shoe & Fy.	
pf., 1% in cash, 5% in	
Liberty bonds, and	
for Red Cross 1 %	Extra
American Can pf 134%	Back
Am. Car & Fdy. com 1 %	Extra
Brooklyn Union Gas., 1 %	Extra
Burns Brothers 1 %	Stock
Bush Terminal 21/2%	Serip
Calumet & Arizona\$1	Extra
Central Leather 2 %	Extra
Central & So. Am. Tel.,	
(paid April 1)46 %	Stock
Cerro le Pasco50c.	Extra
Chandler Motor 1 %	Extra
Consolidation Coal 5 %	Stock
Corn Products Ref. pf 5 %	Back
Crucible Steel pf 2 %	Back
Gulf States Steel 1 %	Extra
Lackawanna Steel pf., 21/2%	Extra
Lee Rubber & Tire25c.	Extra
Miami Copper\$1	Extra
N. Y. Air Brake Co 21.%	Extra
Owens Bottle Mach. Co.50c.	Extra
Shattuck Aris. Mining 75c.	Extra
Standard Milling 1 %	Stock
Tide Water Oil 5 %	Extra
Union Pacific 1/3%	Stock
U. S. Steel common 3 %	Extra
Western Union Tel 1%	Extra
Willys-Overland 5 %	Stock

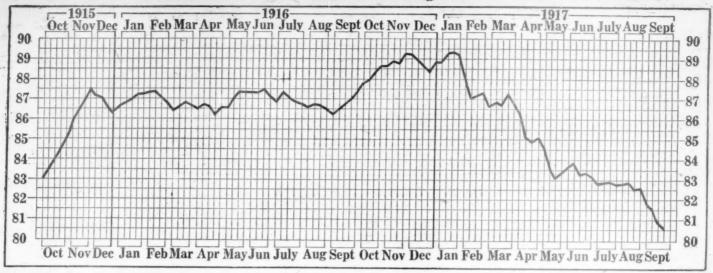
### E. W. Wagner & Co.

### New York Stock Exchange Transactions-Continued

ot go.	Yes	age for	_		Range Year I		)ate	STOCE	CS ES		Amoun Capital Stock Lis	Di	riden	ast nd Pal ate.	d Per Cent	Period		Low	Lest	Not Change	. Sales.
N 181	108 137	98½ 115	107	Jan.	31 9 6 116	9% Se	p. 15	Public Ser	teel Car Co.	Y. J	. 12,500,0	00 A	Aug.	22, '1'	1 1%	999	101	997			1,600
5	8% 8%	159% 2 81/4	. 3	Feb.	14 1	Ju	ne 6	OUICKSI	LVER		5,708,7	00				::	1%	1	11/4	+ 1/4	400
3 14	61%	32 9514	58	June 1 Jan. 2	11 43				Y ST. SPR.							9	47	45	47 98%		1,660
3 %	1151/6	*75 20 75%	*75 32¼	Jan. 1	3 23	14 Jun	ne 11	R. R. Secs. Ray Con.	Copper (\$10)	fs.	. 8,000,00 . 15,771,79	00 J	uly une	1, '17 30, '17 9, '17	\$1	SA Q Q	26% 84	24%	831/8	+ 1 + 2%	11,700 50,000
3	46 52 93	41%	45 45½	Jan. 1	19 38	14 Sep	o. 4	Reading 1s Reading 2d	pf. (\$50) pf. (\$50) on & Steel		. 28,000,00	00 S	uly	13, '17 12, '17 1, '17	50e	9	84%	76%	381/3 381/3 821/3	+ 21/4	44,200
1 1/4	117	101	105% 67%	May 2 Sep.	5 90 5 59	- Fel Ma	y 9	Republic Ir	con & St. Co Co., t. co. R. pf	ofs.	25,000,00	0 J	uly a	2, '17 20, '17	1% \$3.15	- Q	101½ 67½		100%	+ % + %	800 8,320
144	30½ 50½	1514	35 26% 42		2 14 9 28	Au	g. 23	CT. LOUI	S-SAN FRA	N.,	46,432,00	10				**	161/4	15 30	16¼ 31	+ 1¼ + 3	6,300
11/2	321/9	16	13 32	Jan. 1 July 3	9 10 0 25	Ma Fel	y 2	St. LS. F. St. Louis S	outhwestern	1.CS.	9,045,00 16,356,20	0	****	****		**	28	28	10 28 4314		100
24.18	57 119% 84%	37% 45% 63%	53 108 68	Jan. June 1 Jan.	8 397	% Feb	. 2	Savage Arr Saxon Moto	outhwestern		9,032,50 6,000,00	0 S	ep. 1	15, '14 15, '17 19, '17	11%	Q	75¼ 12¼ 11¼	6214 12 1034	75 12 111/4	+12 - 11/4 + 1/4	1,800 1,000 600
22	19¼ 42¼ 233	34% 168%			3 25 2 150	Ma Ser	y 16	Seaboard A Sears, Roe	ir Line pf buck & Co.		12,989,40	0 A 0 A	ug. 1	15, '17	1 2	Q	26 150%	26 151	26 158	+ 3%	200 2,400
16	127%	125	29%	Jan. 1 Mar. 1 Mar. 2	0 225	Ma;	2 21	Sears, Roeb Shattuck A Sinclair Oil	cuck & Co. p riz. Cop. (\$ & Ref(s	f 10). hs.)	8,000,00 8,500,00 1,000,00	0 Ju 0 Ju 0 A	uly uly 2 ug. 2	1, '17 20, '17 23, '17	1% \$1.25 \$1.25	99 :	25 37¼	23½ 35	125 24% 35%	+ 11/2	2,700 12,300
78	93¼ 103½ 240	37 91½ 146		Mar. 3 Feb. May 3	0 42 5 90	Sep Sep	. 18	Sloss-Sheffi Sloss-Sheffi South Porto	eld St. & I.   eld St. & I.   Rico Suga	pf	10,000,000 6,700,000 4,500,000	O Ju	eb. aly aly	1, °17 2, '17 2, '17	1%	90	159	159	90 159	-1	100
1/6 1/6	120 1041/4 22	106 94¼	1141/2	Feb. 1 Mar. 2	112 4 885	Ma; Ma;	1 9	South Porto	Rico S. pf acific acific tr. etf:		3,981,500 272,823,400	0 Ju	ıly :	2, '17	1%	Q	921/4	90%	91% 1194	+ 36	7,400
1	36% 73%	18 56	33% 70%	Jan. 3	3 23 515	May	15	Southern R	allway		84,741,800 51,131,100	0 00	et. 1	5, '14	2		28 62%	26 60½	27% €2 86	+ 1/4	29,200 3,500
Ca	1071/2	86 85	90½ 100½	Jan. 20 Jan. 13	829 7 1005	Aug Jan	17	Standard M Stewart Wa	filling pf arner Speed	om.	10,000,000	A A	ug. 3	5, '17	11/4	Q	475/	**	82% 100% 45%	- 11/4	28,100
16	167 114 79½	1001/4 1081/4 481/8	108%	Jan. 10 Jan. 20	6 90 3 363	Sep 4 July	. 5	Studebaker Stutz Motor	Co. pf (share	res)	75.00	0 Se	aly	2, '17	1 1% \$1.25	999	47% 90 41	90 41	90 41	- 1 + 1½	100 100
% %	**	**	1021/4	June 2	991	4 May	16	Superior St	eel 1st pf	***	3,500,000	A	ug. 1		ż	Q	101%	38	45 101%	+ 6	6,900
14	191/4 2411/4 21%	61/2	243 19%	June 20 Jan. 10 Jan. 4	134	May	9	Texas Paci	& C. temp.		38,760,000	)	ne 3	0, '17	21/4	Q	16 168 16	14% 161¼ 15	15% 164¼ 16	+ ½ + ½ + 1	4,500 8,400 500
34	6814	120 48%	48%	Jan. 23 Jan. 2 Aug. 30	175	May	15	Third Aven	tic Land Tra		16,575,000	Oc	t.	1, '16 2, '17	1 17	Q	19¼ 198	19¼ 198	167½ 19¼ 198	+ 4	200 100
	60¼ 109¼ 12	45½ 90 5	105	Aug. 21 Mar. 12 Jan. 24	485	Feb.	23	Tobacco Pr	oducts pf & W.cfs.of d		16,000,000 7,350,000	Ju	ly :	2, '17	i	Q	73% 103%	68% 100	72 100 7½	+ %	53,900
1.	241/4 191/4	10	181/4 15	Jan. 4 Feb. 27 June 6	12 8	July	2	Tol., St. L. T., St.L.& V	& West. pf. W.pf.cfs.of d Wms. Steel (	ep.	2,117,600 7,882,400	00		***	1 \$1.25	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	42	40%	12 14¼ 42	+2	800
1	99 125	94 125	95	Jan. 20 Jan. 13	80	Sep	18	Twin City I	Rapid Transit. Transit pf	t	22,000,000	Ju	ly :	2, '17 2, '17	1% 1%	Q	811/2	80	81½ 125	- 21/4	500
	110 120 181/4		120	Mar. 12 Mar. 14 Jan. 22	114	Apr. June	25 1 20 21 1	UNDERW Underwo	D TYPEW od Typew. & Paper	R. pf.	8,600,000 8,900,000 1,888,400	Ju Ju	ly 2	2, '17 2, '17	1% 1%	Q	976	97%	99 114 9%		300
	129 153%	87½ 129¾	112	Jan. 23 Jan. 2	72 126%	Sep.	5 1	Union Bag & Union Pacifi	Paper new	2	9,713,600 222,291,600	Se	ly 2	5, '17 2, '17 2, '17	11/4	Q Q SA	74 13014 77%	73 126%	74 129%	+ 11/4	200 22,400 700
	841/2		49%	Jan. 31 June 2 Aug. 14	911/2	May Feb.	8 [	Init. Alloy S Inited Cigar	S. tem.cfs.(s r Stores	h.)	500,000 18,104,000	Au	g. 15	, '17	\$1 1%	Q	44 120%	77 42¼ 115	77% 44 118%	+ 1/4	2,000 29,000
1	531/4	72 52½	80 I 54 J	Mar. 14 Feb. 23 Jan. 23		Jan. Apr.	10 t 23 t	nited Drug	Stores pf.	)).	19,986,700 7,500,000	Jul	g. 1	, '17	1% 1% %	QQQ	72 51½	111 72 511/4	111 72 511/4	- 2	100 100 10
	**		68% J	Tan. 9 July 14 July 18	80 62 94	Sep.	14 U	nited Dyew	vood pf		9,104,200 9,204,600 2,553,400	Jul Jul	y 2 y 2		11/6 11/6	999	80	80	62 95	- 31/2	100
1	211/4				125 20 6½	Sep. Feb.	5 L	inited Pape Inited R'wa	rboard ys Inv. Co.		2,849,700 20,400,000	* *	y 14		2	9	26 7	126 23 7	128 25 7	+ 1	335 300 200
	39% 28% 67%	1514	23% J 24½ J 63 J	lan. 2 lune 26 lan. 29	15 16 50	Sep.	12 U	I. S. C. I. P	ys Inv. Co. ; ipe & Fy. Co ipe & Fy. pf		12,106,300 12,106,300	Dec	1. 10 2. 1, 3. 15,	'07	1 11/4	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	16 17¼ 51	151/4 161/4 50	16 17 50	1- 1/2	200 900 200
	49%	22½ 94½ 1	21¼ J 171½ J	ine 13 une 14	17¼ 100½ 97¼	Sep.	17 L	Inited State J. S. Indust	es Express. trial Alcoho Alcohol pf		10,000,000 12,000,000		v. 29,			Sp.	17%		1714 -	- ¾ + 2% - 1	100 23,300 250
	49 70%	22 47%	22% J	an. 4	10 50% 103	Jan. Feb.	13 U	S. Realty	& Improv.	!	16,162,500 36,000,000	Feb Jul	y 31, y 31,	, '15 , '15	1146		6014	57%	12 59½ -	+ %	6,550
	81½ 53½	57 50	67% J 52% J	an. 4	52% 49 99	May Aug.	10 U	. S. Smelt., . S. S., R.	R. & M. (\$5) & M. pf. (\$5) corporation	)). 1 )). 2	17,555,750 24,317,500	Jul	y 14, y 14, ie 29,	'17 \$ '17 8	1.25 7½e †4¼	Q	66% 49%	601/g 491/2	651/2 -	+ 21/2	10,860 100- 39,600
1	23 1 30	15 1 74% 1	21¼ J	an. 19 day 25	1161/s 893/4	Sep.	13 U	. S. Steel C tah Copper	orporation p (\$10)	of.36	50,314,100 16,244,900	Aug	g. 30,	'17 '17 \$	1% 3.50	QQ	116% 1 98%	89%	116% - 96% -	+ 1/a + 23/4	11,833 67,500
	51	36	46 3	fay 31 an. 26	34¼ 1043	-			CAR. CHEN	-		Aug	g. 1, y 16,	'17	75e	Q	38 105 1	36¼ 35¼	38 -	- ¼ - 1 - 3	900
	72% 10%	7	77 N 101/2 N	far. 30 fay 17	46 6	Feb. Apr.	8 V	irginia Iron ulcan Deti	nning		9,073,600 2,000,000		7. 30,		* *					- 1/4	200
	17	131/6	15% J						pf. A	-							10%	976 4616	10% -	- %	1,600
1	32% 44% 1	25 : 23½ 1	30¼ J 44 J	an. 2 an. 4	23 88	May Sep.	9 7	abash pf.	B Express.,	2	18,723,800 23,967,300	Jul	y 31,	17	11/2	Q	25 90	24 90	25 90	- 36	2,400 1,300 100
		1	18½ M	lar. 27 lay 26	25 121/a	Sep. Apr.	7 W	estern Mar estern Paci	yland yland 2d pf. fic Ry	. 3	7,883,200 8,191,400		*****			• •	28 15¼	16¼ 25 15%	28 - 15¼ -		2,500 600 300
1	43 13	87 1 39 11	99% J 13% A	uly 25 an. 19 ug. 31	881/2 111	Sep. Aug.	12 W 31 W	estern Unic	fic Ry. pf on Telegraph Brake (\$50)	h. 9	9,817,100 8,866,800	July		'17 \$1	1.75	Q	90		89 4 11		400 1,350
1	79 18% 1	70% 7	70½ J. 15% F	eb. 24	43% 65 112%	Sep. Sep. Apr.	5 W 10 W 13 W	esting. E. & Nest. E. & N	& M. (\$50) d. 1st pf.(\$5 ton pf	7	0,818,950 3,998,700 4,600,000	July	31, 16, 2,		14c	QQQ	67	67	67 -1 121/2	- 11/2	7,700
1	581/4 59%	16 E	52½ J	an. 22	11% 25 43	Sep. Sep. Sep.	13 W 5 W 17 W	heeling & L heeling & L hite Motor	ake Erie pf (\$50)	3	9,933,700 6,000,000	July	1,	17	i		261/4 431/2	12 25% 43	12% + 26 - 43% -		3,400 1,600 500
11	17	34 8	3814 Ja 00 M	an. 18 lar. 10 lar. 30	24%	May Sep.	19 W	illys-Overla illys-Overla	nd (\$25) nd pf	. 4	1,605,100 4,996,800	Aug	1,	'17 '17	75c	9	29¼ 62¼	26%	27% - 90 60% +	- 1/4	3,400
1		. 10	77 M 54% J:	ar. 23	101%	Aug. Sep.	31 W 12 W	ilson & Co. Isconsin Ce	pfntral	. 1	9,133,400 6,147,900	July	2,	'17	1%	Q 1	021/6 1	02¼ 1 40¼	02% + 44% + 22 -	- 1/4	100 3,500
15	26 13 36% 3	23 12 25 3	26% J:		231/4	Aug. : Feb.	9 W	oolworth (Forthington	Pump Pump pf. A.	£. 1	2,500,000 9,751,500	July	1,	'17	1%	Q		1	22 32		100
(	16¼ E	2% 6 TEF	3 Ju Highe:	ine 18 et and 1	50 owest	May price:	9 W	orthington h	Pump pf. B. based usual	ly c	7,612,200 on sales o	July	2, 0 sh	'17 ares.	When	Q		56	94 56 for le	ess than	100 that
an	\$In	cluding	g the	amoun	t of l	New '	York	Central R	otes under the allroad stoce ealt in so fa	k li	sted.				nn.						

The following are the last sales of stocks not dealt in so far this year: Albany & Susquehanna, \*250; Booth Fisheries, 45; Booth Fisheries first preferred. 80; Cripple Creek Central preferred. \*24; Dayton Power & Light preferred. 97; Detroit & Mackinac, \*70; Duluth Superior Traction, \*30; du Pont Powder preferred. 104%; Eastman Kodak, \*606; Erie & Pittsburgh, (\$50.) 62%; G. W. Helme preferred. 117; Hocking Valley, 112; Kanasa City, Fort Scott & Memphis preferred. 75%; Keokuk & Des Moines preferred. 29; Manhattan Shirt preferred, 113%; Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marle leased line, 75%; Mobile & Birmingham preferred, 81%; Moline Plow first preferred, 08; Montgomery Ward preferred, 112; National Surety, \*268%; New York, Chicago & St. Louis first preferred, 80; Northwestern Telegraph. (\$50.) 61; 71d Dominion, (\$25.) 70%; Pabst Brewing preferred, 92%; Pacific Coast, 55; Pacific Coast second preferred. 72; Rensselaer & Saratoga, \*274%; Virginia Railway & Power, 47%; Weyman-Bruton, 231.

### The Trend of Band Prices—Average of 40 Listed Issues



#### Exchange Bond Trading Stock

8618 8618 9319 9319 96 96 70 70 53% 53% 9976 190 78 78 Detr. Edi. col. tr. 5s..100 Det. United 41/s..... 78

SPECIALISTS IN

100 BONDS

E.F. Combs & C

85% 65 38% 38

90% 99% 43 98% 75 81 89% 68 84 62% 73

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200 Alaska Gold 4%	476	4	4%
130 Allis Chalm., 221/2	24	22	24
670 Am, Beet Sug 831/4	861/4	81%	8514
1,460 Amer. Can 40	43	39	421/2
360 Am. Car & F. 67%	71%	67%	71%
310 Am. H. & L., 12	12	111/2	11%
430 Am. Internat. 50	51%	50	51%
470 Am. Linseed, 22	24%	22	24%
1,140 Am. Locomo 60	63	58%	62%
5,510 Am. Sm. & R. 95	1011/4	92%	100
390 Am. Sug. R108	112	108	112
30 Am. Sum. T. 53%	53%	53%	53%
50 Am. Tel. & T.117%	1174	1171/4	117%
30 Am. Woolen 451/2	46	451/2	46
50 Am. Z.,L. &S 181/4	1814	16%	16%
9,880 Anac. Copper. 7014	73%	68%	72%
140 A, T. & S. F. 961/2	97	96	96%
660 Baldw. Loco 59%	63	56%	61%
250 Balt. & Ohio. 651/2	G71/2	65%	67%
930 Batopilas Min 1%	216	1%	21/6
22,170 Beth. Stl. B100%	100%	901/4	92%
26,870 Beth. S. rts 36	11/4	16	36
10 B. R. T 60%	601/4	60%	60%
50 Burns Bros 951/2	951/2	951/2	951/2
200 Butte & Sup. 23%	26%	23%	261/8
50 Calif. Pet 15%	17%	15%	17%
1,860 Cent. Pac153		147	149%
3,260 Cent. Leath 80%	851/2	781/2	831/2
10 Chand. Motor. 71%	71%	711/4	7114
100 Ches. & Ohio 561/4	571/2	551/2	5514
3,430 C., M. & St.P. 58%	59%	561/2	581/2
370 C., R. L. & P. 24%	26%	24%	26%
380 Chile Cop 17½ 880 Chino Cop 50½ 630 Col. Fuel. & I 43½ 20 Colum. Gas 41 2,310 Corn P. Ref 26½ 21,080 Crucible Steel. 69% 1,000 Cuba Cane 8 . 30½ 90 Del. & Hud. 97	19¼ 53% 46 41 29% 74% 34%	17 49% 43 41 25 65% 29%	19¼ 53 45¼ 41 28% 73¼ 34%

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2,270		9	321/2	28%	311/6
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	Goodrich Co 4		45	44	45
700	Gt. N. ore cfs. 3	21/2	34%	321/4	3316
2,360	Insp. Cop 5	0	5314	47	52%
5.380		5%	28%	241/9 795/8	281/4 851/4
	Int. Nickel 3	31%	33%	321/2	33%
. 10	Kan. City So. 1	8	18	18	18
1,100		9%	421/6	39	41%
100	Lack, Steel 7: Lehigh Val 6	0	8414	78%	8256
250	Maxwell M 3:	2%	35%	3214	35
9,460	Mex. Petrol 93	21/8	97%	891/8	9416
310	Miami Cop 3		36%	33%	35%
1.880	Midvale Steel, 5 Mo. Pacific 2	1%	52%	26%	5216 2872
10	Nat. Conduit. 2	714	2714	2716	2714
390	Nevada Con., 2	0%	2274	20%	221%
1,780	N. Y. Cent 7 N. Y., N. H.	7%	78	761/4	78
200	& H 2	414	2614	2414	2614
20	Northern Pac. 9	93%	1001/2	99%	100/6
120	Ontario M'g	7%	8	71/8	8
	Pacific Mail., 2 Pennsylv'a 5	134	26% 52%	26% 51%	26% 52%
	Peo. G., Chi., 6		64	64	64
10	Pitts, Cosl 5	0%	51%	50%	5134
	Pullman Co13 Ray Con 2	20%	134%	134%	134%
	Ray Con 25 Reading 80	034	26%	24% 78	261/4
2,000	Rep. I. & S 79	35%	8414	76%	83%
	Sinclair Oil 3	71/4	3714	34%	35%
1 100	Southern Pac, 96 Southern Ry., 27	156	91%	90%	91%
	So. Ry. pf 62	214	621/6	6114	611/2
5,270	Studebaker 43	59%	47%	441/4	4516
210	Tenn. Copper. 13	33/6	15%	14%	14%
1,080	Tob. Prod 65 Union Pacific. 128	37%	74 130%	691/4	71%
510	Un. Cigar S. 110	78	120%	115%	1194
2,410	U. S. Ind. A 134	134	140%	132	132%
790	U. S. Rubber, 57		6012	57	59%
4.050	U. S. Steel107 Utah Copper 93	74	112	103%	110%
50	Wabash pf. A. 47		981/4	90	96 47
60	West, Elec 44	1/6	451/4	44	4416
360	Willys-Over 27		28%	27	28
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New	York 414s, 1964	1091/4	Herrick	& Benne	sit 110	Canfield &	Bro.
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Lake Co. (O.) Road 5s, 1918-27       *4.70         Little Rock (Ark.) Sch. Dist. 4½s, 1926-30       *4.75         Lincoln Co. (Miss.) Sup. Dist. 5s, 1941       100         Limestone, Ala., C. H. 6s, 1928-37       *6.25         Limestone, Ala., C. H. 6s, 1928-37       *6.25
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British Col. 1828, Dec., 1925 Do. 448, July, 1926	90	44	92 92	44
Manitoba 5s. 1920 Do 5s, 1919 Do 5s, 1918	96 97½ 97½		961/2 99 99	Mann, Bill & Co. W. S. Macomber.
Nova Scotia 5s, 1926 New Brunswick 4½s,Dec.,'25. New Brunswick 5s, 1919	94 93 98	Hirsch, Lilienthal&Co W. S. Macomber	95	Hirsch, Lilienthal&Co. W. S. Macomber.
Ontar.o 5s, Feb., 1920	971/2	**	99	**
Quebec 5s, April, 1920 Quebec 5s, June, 1926	96 92	**	95	Mann, Bill & Co. W. S. Macomber.
Saskatchewan 5s. Feb., 1918. Saskatchewan 5s, Dec., 1929. Saskatchewan 5s, May, 1925. Saskatchewan 5s, Oct., 1925. Saskatchewan 5s, May, 1926. Saskatchewan 5s, Sept., 1932.	98½ 97 96 90 88	W. S. Macomber	98 97 93 91	W. S. Macomber.
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Edmonton 6s Jan. 1921 Edmonton 4½s, 1952 Edmonton School 5s, 1954	96 79 84	W. S. Macomber Hirsch, Lilienthal&Co. W. S. Macomber	. 81	Hirsch, Lilienthal&Co. W. S. Macomber.
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Lexington & East, 1st 5s, '65, 96 Kean, Taylor & Co. 971/2 Kean, Taylor & Co. L. Hock, H. S. & W. 4s, 1939 69 Six & Co. St. L. 95 Six & Co. St. L. Do 4½s, 2003 ... 84 Callaway, Fish & Co. Louisville & Nash, 1st 5s, '37 101/2 S. Goldschmidt. Do unif. 4s. 851/2 Abbott, Johnson & Co.

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	Cambria Iron. 45	44	44% %
10	C., M. & S. P. 57%	57%	57%
	Cramp & Sons 77	72	76 + 1
\$23	Elec. S. Bat. 57%	53	57% + %
- 18	Ins. of N. A. 2514	25	25
	Keystone Tel. 11%	11%	11%
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	Lake Superior 16%	15%	1616 + 1%
	Lehigh Nav 75	741/2	75 + 1
. 78	Lehigh Val 61%	60%	61% + 1%
2,086	Penn. R. R 521/4	511/2	52% + %
115	Ph. Co. pf 36	36	30 - %
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Winston Salem So. B. 4s *Basis.	70 71½	Baker, Carruthers& Pell		
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Alabama Steel 6s, 1930 Am. Dock & Imp. 5s, 1921 Am. Thread 4s.	93 971/4	Vickers & Phelps	99	J. S. Rippel & Co., N'l Vickers & Phelps.
Amer. Debenture 5s, 1928 Am. Pipe & Fdry. 6s, 1928	99	S. K. Phillips, Phila.	931/2	S. P. Larkin & Co.
Am. Steamship as, 1829 Armour & Co. 445, '39 Atlantic Sugar Ref. 6s, '22	102	Crawford, Pat. & Can. W. S. Macomber	89%	*******
Bethlehem Steef p. m. 5s, 1936 Bitter Root Irrigation 6s Bondholders Protective 6s	86¾ 22 18	Keyes, Haviland & Co. F. P. Ward	88 28 25	Keyes, Haviland & Co F. P. Ward.
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Calamta Sugar Ests. 6s, '34. Cabin Creek Cons. Coal 6s	80 90	Sutro Bros. & Co Baker, Carruthers & Pell	83	Sutre Bros. & Co.
Cahaba Coal Min. 6s, '22 Canadian Car & Fy. 6s, 1939. Canadian Cons. Rub. 6s, '46. Do 5s, 1918.	88 93	W. S. Macomber		W. S. Macomber.
Can. Nor. Coal & Ore Dock 5s, 1936 CanPuget Sound Lumber 6s. Central Foundry 6s, 1831 Champion Lumber 6s.	81 15	F. P. Ward F. P. Ward	88 30 86 30	F. P. Ward. Keyes, Haviland & Co F. P. Ward.
Chic. & Eastern III. Coal 5s. Chic. & Indiana Coal 5s	51	******	30	F. P. Ward.
Chateaugay Ore & Iron 4s.	100 70	Baker, Carruthers& Pell		*****
Childs Real Estate 6s	89 75 103	A. R. Clark & Co Baker, Carruthers & Pell Spencer Trask & Co	85	Baker, Carruthers& Pel Spencer Trask & Co. S. P. Larkin & Co.
Civde Steamship is, 1931 Colorade Industrial 5s, 1934.	92 76	Moore & Co	96 78	Callaway, Fish & Co.
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Equitable Office Ridg. 6s, '43. El Tiro Copper 6s. Elec. Dev. (Ontario) 5s, 1933.	73 4 84%	J. A. Clark & Co F. P. Ward M. S. Brown, Port.Me.		P. P. Ward.

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German-American	138	C. Gilbert Noble & Corwin		C. Gilbert
Harriman's	255	Grannis & Co	265	Noble & Corwin Grannis & Co.
Importers & Traders Irving Do (rights)	212	Baker, Carruthers, Pell. Noble & Corwin Baker, Carruthers, Pell.	216	Baker, Carruthers, Pell C. Gilbert Baker, Carruthers, Pell
Lincoln	385	C. Gilbert	320 400	J. M. Dillon Noble & Corwin
Manhattan Market & Fulton Mechanics & Metals Merchants	248 305	Grannis & Co C. Gilbert L. Snider & Co C. Gilbert	315	Baker, Carruthers, Pell L. Snider & Co.
Metropolitan	177	C. Gilbert	182	Grannis & Co.
New Netherlands	200	25 72111 6 0-	212	C. Gilbert
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Park Nat	455	**	470	14
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Union Exchange	154	Grannis & Co	155	C. Gilbert.
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Bankers Trust Broadway Brooklyn	440 165 595	L. Snider & Co C. Gilbert	442 170 610	Mann. Bill & Co. L. Snider & Co. C. Gilbert
Central	765 286	Baker, Carruthers, Pell. Grannis & Co	772 290	Grannis & Co.
Empire Trust Equitable Farmers' Loan & Trust	440	L. Snider & Co Mann, Bill & Co	445	L. Snider & Co. C. Gilbert
Fidelity		C. Gilbert		"
Guaranty		Grannis & Co	350	Baker, Carruthers, Pell
Kings County	645	C. Gilbert		******
Lawyers T. & Trust	97	4.6	102	C. Gilbert
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Fidelity & Casualty	365	Baker, Carruthers & Pell Grannis & Co	315	Grannis & Co.
German Alliance	4110	**	165	"
Inter Life Ins		Steinberg & Co., St. L. Grannis & Co		Steinberg & Co., St. L. Grannis & Co.
Hanover		"	480	Grannis & Co.
Lawyers Mortgage	25%	L. Snider & Co Steinberg & Co., St. L. F. J. M. Dillon	26%	L. Snider & Co. Steinberg & Co., St. L. F. J. M. Dillon.
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mmonwealth P., R. & L	47	L. Snider &	Co	49	Lamarche & Coady.	

ent. States Elec	1.65	Lamarche & Coady	13	Lamarche & Coady.
Do. pf ent. Miss. Val. El. pf	710		70%	Stone & Webster.
olorado Power	m 2	H. F. McConnell & Co.	2416	Stone & Webster. E. F. Hutton & Co.
Do pf	95 40	Redmond & Co	1712	
Do pf	80		.90	Redmond & Co. Stone & Webster.
olumbus Elec, pf	78 47	Stone & Webster L. Snider & Co	83 49	Lamarche & Coady.
Do pf	76	11	7.8	Lamarche & Coady. L. Snider & Co. Stone & Webster.
onnecticut Power pf	89 70	Stone & Webster	93 72	Stone & Webster. B. H. & F. W. Pelzer.
onnecticut Power pf ons. Traction, (N. J.) umberland Co. Pr. & Lt. pf	89	Stone & Webster B. H. & F. W. Pelzer. M. S. Brown, Port., Me		*******
enver Gas & Elec. pf	90	Lamarche & Coady L. Snider & Co	95	L. Snider & Co.
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Do com	80 56	Stone & Webster	59	Stone & Webster.
ast Texas Elec. pf Do com. lectric Bond & Share pf Paso Electric izabeth & Trenton R. R	98	Lamarche & Coady Stone & Webster B. H. & F. W. Pelzer.	991 <u>6</u> 104	F. J. M. Dillon & Co. Stone & Webster.
izabeth & Trenton R. R	100	B. H. & F. W. Pelzer.	102	Stone & Webster.
Do pf	30 84	H. F. McConnell & Co.	8 8 8	H. F. McConnell & Co.
deral Light & Traction	10	E. & C. Randolph	12	E. & C. Randolph.
Do pf	45	22, 14	12 47	14
lveston-Houston Elec.	15	Stone & Webster	20 69	Stone & Webster.
Do pf. s & Elec. Securities Do pf	200	H. F. McConnell & Co.	310 100	H. F. McConnell & Co.
iddle West Utilities pf	68	A. H. Bickmore & Co. J. Burnham & Co	70	A. H. Bickmore & Co.
iddle West Utilities pf ch. State Tel. pf ississippi River Power	84 10	J. Burnham & Co Stone & Webster	13	Stone & Webster.
20 Dr	5372.74	18	38	Lamarche & Coady.
tt. Light, Heat & Power pf. orthern Ontario Lt. & Pr. Do pf	31½ 11 56	H. F. McConnell & Co.	15 59	H. F. McConnell & Co,
orthern Elec		W. D. Runyon, Scran. H. F. McConnell & Co.	35	W. D. Runyon, Scran. H. F. McConnell & Co.
Ohio Elec	70 81		75 83	
Do pf	96	L. Snider & Co Lamarche & Coady Stone & Webster	97	Lamarche & Coady. L. Snider & Co.
orthern States Power Do pf Do pf Do pf	54 75	Stone & Webster	57 80	Stone & Webster.
cific Gas & Electric	47	E. F. Hutton & Co Sutro Bros. & Co White, Weld & Co Stone & Webster	47%	Sutro Bros. & Co.
Do new pf	851/2	Sutro Bros. & Co	267	**
blic Service Invest. pf	88 75	Stone & Webster	80	White, Weld & Co. Stone & Webster.
ceific Gas & Electric Do new pf ceific Fower & L. pf blic Service Invest. pf get Sound Trac., Lt. & Pr.	17	64	22 58	**
	53		95	**
ilway & Lt. Sec. pf public Ry. & Light public Ry. & Light pf	.21	Lamarche & Coady H. F. McConnell & Co. B. H. & F. W. Pelzer.	32	H. F. McConnell & Co.
public Ry. & Light pf	641/2	B. H. & F. W. Pelzer.	66	
verside Traction	30			******
uth. Cal. Edison pf	101	L. Snider & Co H. F. McConnell & Co.	102	Lamarche & Coady.
uth. Cal. Edison pf uth. Cal. Edison andard Gas & Electric	86	Lamarche & Coady	8	L. Snider & Co.
DI	27	**	33	**
ringbrook Water Supply perior Water, Lt. & Power to pf	135 50 80	W. D. Runyon, Scran. Redmond & Co	90	Redmond & Co.
mpa Electric		*******	115	Stone & Webster.
mpa Electric i-City Ry. & Lt nn. Ry., Light & Power	88	Lamarche & Coady H. F. McConneil & Co.	92 5	Stone & Webster. Lamarche & Coady. H. F. McConnell & Co.
O PI	~0		and l	Lamarche & Coaux.
ited Light & Rys	36 6714	J. Burnham & Co	6353	H. F. McConnell & Co.
ited Gas & Elec	3	Lamarche & Coady	47	Lamarche & Coady.
00 2d pf	43	**	10	44
oo 1st pf	51/2	Steinberg & Co., St. L.		Steinberg & Co., St. L.
ah Power & L pf	20	Lamarche & Coady	96	Lamarche & Coady.
ishington Water Power	58	White, Weld & Co	66	White, Weld & Co.
stern Power	5214	White, Weld & Co H. F. McConnell & Co. E. & C. Randolph	13	White Weld & Co. E. & C. Randolph. H. F. McConnell & Co.
sconsin Edison Ex dividend. †1% ex-divide	39	Lamarche & Coady.	43	Lamarche & Coady.
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losives pf	41		& Henry		Hallowell &
Book	130	Hallowell	& Henry	145	J. A. Clark
t. So. pf	277	Callaway, L. Snider	& Co	283	L. Snider &

Aetna Explosives pf	41	Hallowell & Henry	43	Hallowell & Henry.
All Package				J. A. Clark & Co.
All Launage	100			Hallowell & Henry.
American Book	1.50		145	manowen & memy.
Alabama Gt. So. pf	100	Callaway, Fish & Co.		*******
American Brass	277	L. Snider & Co	283	L. Snider & Co.
American British	5	4.6	10	**
Do pf	23	**	35	**
American Chicle	5116	Hallowell & Henry	53	Williamson & Squire,
Do pf	67	6.6	69	Hallowell & Henry.
Amer. Graphophone	75	Williamson & Squire	80	Williamson & Squire.
Do pf	88	**	92	L. Snider & Co.
American Piano	10	L. Snider & Co	14	6.5
Do pf	(in)	4.6	7.5	**
Amer. Typefounders	37	**	40	64
Do pf		40	88	**
American Stove	112	Steinberg & Co., St. L.	118	Steinberg & Co., St. L.
A. O. Smith		White Wold & Co	30	White, Weld & Co.
D- nd	FACE	White Wold & Co	0.2	4.6

### Annalist Open Market

INDUSTRIAL A				
	At	Bid for— By	AL	Offered— By
Atlas Powder pf	00	Williamson & Squire.		Williamson & Squire.
Atlanta Rof	163	Webb & Co	168 20	Webb & Co.
Do pf.	25		35	L. Snider & Co.
At as lowder pi. At as lowder pi. At as lowder pi. At an are fruit Do pf. Atlantic & Pacific Tea pf	32	L. Snider & Co	-40	**
Babenck & Wilcox	119	Merrill, Lynch & Co L. Snider & Co		Merrill, Lynch & Co. Hallowell & Henry.
Barney & Smith	11 35	Hallowell & Henry	16 50	64
Barney & Wilcox  Barney & Smith  Do pf  Borden's Cond. Milk.  Pristol Brass.	894	L. Snider & co Keyes, Haviland & Co.		A. R. Clark & Co. Williamson & Squire.
Pristol Brass	104	L. Snider & Jo	60	L. Snider & Co.
Ducyrus	9	**	101/4	J. Burnham & Co. L. Snider & Co.
Buffalo & Susquehanna  Do pf.  Burna Bros. Ice. Burna Bros. Ice pf.  Ex-Products Coke	55 50	J. S. Farlee & Co	57 52	J. S. Fariee & Co.
Burns Bros. Ice	9 55	L Snider & Co	14	L. Snider & Co.
E: Products Coke Butler Brothers		I Dunmham & Co	155	01
Burroughs Adding Machine.		J. Burnham & Co		******
Calamata Sugar Estates	45 87	Sutro Bros. & Co Keyes, Haviland & Co. Hallowell & Henry	55 92	Sutro Bros. & Co. Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Do lat pf	88	Hallowell & Henry	93 60	Hallowell & Henry. Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Carbon Steet.  Do lat pf.  Do 2d pf.  Cardenas American Sugar	15	Keyes, Haviland & Co. Webb & Co	25	Webb & Co.
Do pf	80 36	W. C. Orton	90 42	W. C. Orton.
		Webb & Co	175 158	Williamson & Squire. Webb & Co.
Do. pf	60 70	W. C. Orton	70 80	L. Snider & Co.
Do. pf. Committeed Products Corp. Do. 1st pf. Do. 2d pf. Chicago Ry. Equipment.	46	Stix & Co., St. L	9834	Steinberg & Co., St.L. Stix & Co., St. L.
Do. 2d pf	88	Steinberg & Co., St. L.	110	14
			200	Steinberg & Co., St. L. W. D. Runyon, Scran.
Chics it saurant.  Do pf. City & Suburban Homes	95	, **	951/4	Hallowell & Henry.
		Hallowell & Henry Moore & Co Chisholm & Chapman.	7½ 52	Moore & Co.
0		Chisholm & Chapman.	103 1061/a	Moore & Co. Chisholm & Chapman.
Consolidated Coal Co	165	Steinberg & Co., St.L.	180	Steinberg & Co., St. L.
Curtiss Aeroplane	41	Keyes, Haviland & Co.	42 75	Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Dei Lack & West. Coal Davis Coal & Coke	183	Hallowell & Henry		W. C. Orton.
Draper Corp	123	W. C. Orton McConnell & Co., Bos.	75	. 44
Do lst pf Eastman Kodak Edmund & Jones	105	L. Snider & Co	108	Dawson, Lyon & Co.
Eastman Kodak	525	L. Snider & Co Dawson, Lyon & Co L. Snider & Co Keyes, Haviland & Co.	535	L. Snider & Co.
		Keyes, Haviland & Co.	36 93	Keyes, Haviland & Co T. L. Bronson. E. F. Hutton & Co.
Empire Steal & Iron	97	E. F. Hutton & Co	100	E. F. Hutton & Co. L. Snider & Co.
Do pf Emerson-Brantingham pf	£3+3	**	4.6	W. D. Runyon, Scran.
Fajardo Sugar	104	Webb & Co	108	Webb & Co.
Federal Sugar	91	**	544	L Snider & Co.
Freeport (Texas) Sulphur	205	M. Lachenbruch & Co. :	45	M. Lachenbruch & Co L. Snider & Co. Steinberg & Co., St. L
Do pf.  Ford Motor of Canada.  Freeport (Texas) Sulphur.  Fulton Iron Works.  Do pf.	101	L. Snider & Co Steinberg & Co., St. L.	42	Steinberg & Co., St. L
Gamewell Fire Alarm Tel	56	Hallowell & Henry	65	Hallowell & Henry.
General Petroleum Do pf	94 94	Sutro Bros. & Co	95 97	Sutro Bros. & Co.
Do pf	265	Webb & Co	80 380	Keyes, Haviland & Co Webb & Co.
Goodyear Tire & Rubber of	103	E. & C. Randolph	118 105	**
Guantanamo Sug	ol	Webb & Co	55	E. & C. Randolph. Webb & Co.
H. B. Claflin Do 1st pf	3	L. Snider & Co	4	L. Snider & Co.
Do lat pf Do 2d pf H. W. Johns Manville Do pf	. 2		215	T. L. Bronson,
Do pf	107	T. L. Bronson Keyes, Haviland & Co.	20	Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Hall Switch & Signal pf H. K. Mulford	57 23	L Snider & Co		L. Snider & Co. M. Lachenbruch & Co.
Hendee Mrg. Do pf. Harris Bros.	. 83	Keyes, Haviland & Co.	95	Keyes, Haviland & Co
RICICUIES POWDER	267	I. Snider & Co	20 270	Keyes, Haviland & Co Stix & Co., St. L. Hallowell & Henry.
Honston Oil	113	Hallowell & Henry! Pforzheimer & Co	17	Pforzheimer & Co.
Do pf	57 50	White, Weld & Co	60	White, Weld & Co.
Do pf	98	M. Lachenbruch & Co.	31/4	M. Lachenbruch & Co.
Indian lefining	130		135	ii
ngersoli-Rand	90 205	D. T. Moore & Co	95 210	Hallowell & Henry.
Do pf. International Salt	101 58	W. D. Runyon, Scran.	102	D. T. Moore & Co.
anternational Shoe	9814	Steinberg & Co., St. L.	99	Williamson & Squire. Steinberg & Co., St. I.
Inte: Fextbook	1.578	W. D. Runyon, Scran.	15	W. D. Runyon, Scran.
International Silver Do pf	95		100	Hallowell & Henry.

INDUSTRIAL A	ND	MISCELLANEC	US	-Continued
	_	Bid for-	_	Offered-
	At	By .	At	Ву
James Butler Grocery pf Jones Bros. Tea	200	Merrill, Lynch & Co	33	J. A. Clark & Co. W. D. Runyon, Scran.
to i sole	14365	L. Snider & Co		L. Snider & Co.
Do pf	100	**	110	E. F. Hutton & Co.
kirby Lumber	148	E. F. Hutton & Co L. Snider & Co	2.00	L. Sniger & Co. Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Do pf. Kresge, S. S. Do pf. Kress, S. H.	46	. "	49 93	Keyes, Haviland & Co. M. Lachenbruch & Co.
Do pf	105	Merrill, Lynch & Co	110	Merrill, Lynch & Co.
Kress, S. H	55	**	59 106	41
Art Presentations and access	200	Williamson & Squire		Williamson & Squire.
Lackawanna R. R. of N. J., Lehigh Valley Coal Sales	73	Keyes, Haviland & Co.	250	M. Lachenbruch & Co. J. Burnham & Co.
Linde Air Products Lukens Steel	40	While, Weld & Co	-1-1	White, Weld & Co.
Do pi	102		104	Marian & Co
Do of	25 90	Merrill, Lynch & Co	Line	Merrill, Lynch & Co.
McCrory Do pf Manati Sugar Do pf	105	Webb & Co	115	Webb & Co.
Matanzas Do pf	8	**	15	44
Michigan Sugar	. SO	L. Snider & Co	78	L. Snider & Co.
Do pf	95	14.	100	***
Midland Securities	142	W. C. Orton Pforzheimer & Co	143	W. C. Orton. Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Do pf	35	W. D. Runyon, Scran.	37	W. C. Orton. Keyes, Haviland & Co. W. D. Runyon, Scran. W. C. Orton.
Moline Plow 1st of	97	J. Burnham & Co	22	
National Candy	311/2	Steinberg & Co., St. L.	33	Steinberg & Co., St. L.
National Candy Do. 1st pf. Do. 2d pf. Aacona. uel Gas. Nat Casket. It. Rubbet	100 85½	**	1011/2	"
Nacional Luci Gas	240	Pforzheimer & Co	260	Pforzheimer & Co. L. Snider & Co.
Nat. Casket	91 5½	L. Snider & Co		L. Snider & Co.
Nat. Silk Dyeing pf. Nat. Sugar Refining. New Jersey Zinc. New Mexico & Ariz. Land. New Niquero Sugar.	99	F. A. Peters, Paterson L. Snider & Co	100	L Snider & Co.
Nat. Sugar Refining New Jersey Zinc	205	Keyes, Haviland & Co.	296	44
New Mexico & Ariz. Land	80	W. C. Orton	100	W. C. Orton. Webb & Co.
New Central Coal	8	J. A. Clark & Co	***	*******
Niles-Bement-Pond		L. Snider & Co	147	L. Snider & Co.
O'Gara Coal pf Do pf	12 49	W. D. Runyon, Scran. Keyes, Haviland & Co.	53	L. Snider & Co.
Do pf	79	**	83	Keyes, Havnand & Co.
Packard Motor Do pf.	0714	L. Snider & Co	159	L. Snider & Co.
+ + 20/25001	300		310	M. Lachenbruch & Co.
Paige-Detroit pf	68	M. Lachenbruch & Co. Keyes, Haviland & Co. W. D. Runyon, Scran.	78	Keyes, Haviland & Co W. D. Runyon, Scran.
Penn. Coal & Coke	19	W. D. Runyon, Scran.	22	W. D. Runyon, Scran. L. Snider & Co.
P octer & Gamble	740	L. Snider & Co	SURF	Z. Billiact & Co.
Paige-Detroit pf. Paige-Detroit pf. Poice Engine & Mach. Penn. Coal & Coke. Prest-O-Lite P octer & Gamble. Pyrene Mfg.	91/2		10	Hallowell & Henry.
Remington Typewriter	13	Hallowell & Henry	69	L. Snider & Co.
Republic Truck Republic Truck pf. Keo Motor Car. Kice-Stix Dry Goods. Do 1st pf. Do 2d pf. Royal Baking Powder. Do pf.	47	M. Lachenbruch & Co.	49 58	M. Lachenbruch & Co.
Republic Truck pf	- 92	44	95	44
heo Motor Car	230	L. Snider & Co Stix & Co., St. L	26%	L. Snider & Co. Stix & Co., St. L.
Do 1st pf	1121/2			Stix & Co., St. L. Steinberg & Co., St. L.
Poval Baking Powder	103	L. Snider & Co	1031/2	A. R. Clark & Co.
Do pf			98	Keyes, Haviland & Co.
St. L., Rocky Mt. & Pac St. L., R. Mt. & P. pf Santa Cecilia Sugar	31	Robinson & Co	70	Robinson & Co.
Santa Cecilia Sugar	141/2	Webb & Co	161/2	Webb & Co.
Safety Car Heating & Ltg	51 77	L Snider & Co	78	Hallowell & Henry.
Scovill Mig	530	**	560 235	L. Snider & Co.
Singer Mfg	212	**	214	Williamson & Squire
Standard Screw	275	White, Weld & Co	295 59	L. Snider & Co. White, Weld & Co.
Telautograph Corporation	- 4	Hallowell & Henry	7	Hallowell & Henry.
Thomas Iron	148	L. Snider & Co	37	L. Snider & Co.
Todd Shipyards	76	Keyes, Haviland & Co.	80	Keyes, Haviland & Co.
Union Ferry	40	Williamson & Squire	45	Williamson & Squire.
Union Oil	125	E. F. Hutton & Co L. Snider & Co	126 80	E. F. Hutton & Co. L. Snider & Co.
Do p? U. S. Bobbin & Shuttle U. S. Radiator pf.	110 57	-	115	Keyes, Haviland & Co.
U. S. Radiator pf	42	Hallowell & Henry	47	Hallowell & Henry.
Utah-Idaho Sugar, new U. S. Lumber		L. Sn.der & Co W. D. Runyon, Scran.	101/4	L. Snider & Co.
Ward Baking	24	D. T. Moore & Co	27	
Ward Baking	94	Webb & Co	96	L. Snider & Co. D. F. Moore & Co. Webb & Co.
Wagner Electric Mfg Western Cartridge	175	Steinberg & Co., St. L.	185	Steinberg & Co., St. L
Westfield Mfg	250 65	L. Snider & Co	300	L. Snider & Co.
	- 85	**	95	410
Weyman Bruton pf Western Maryland 1st pf Wheeling & Lake Eric pf	70	S. P. Larkin & Co W. C. Orton	75	S. P. Larkin & Co. W. C. Orton.
Wheeling & Lake Eric pf	80		100	
Woodward Iron	120	Merrill, Lynch & Co	123	L. Snider & Co. Merrill, Lynch & Co.
DO DE	120.4		ideal	
Vale & Towne	200	L. Snider & Co	-10	L. Snider & Co.

### Dailmore

	STOC	KS			
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Males.	н н	igh.	LOW.	Last.	Ch'ge.
20	Ala, Co. 2d pf. 4	181/2	481/2	48%	**
	Con. Coal 9				* *
	Con. Power10				**
	Cosden & Co.,		916	954	m 1/4
829	Cosden pf	436	4%	434	+ 1/4
476	Davis Chem 3		30	30	- 11/2
5	Fid. & Dep 12	14	124	124	- 1
50	Ga. S. & Fla.				
	1st pf 7	65	76	76	
25	Hous. Oil pf., 5	9	59	59	**
200	Md. Trust 10	10	100	100	
116	Mt. Ver. C. M. 1	4	14	14	**
55	Mt. Vernon pf. 6	17%	67	67	
	Mon. Val. Tr 7		70	70	**
	M. & M. Tr 8		96	80	1
230	Pa. W. & P. 1	10	16	70	
260	Un. Ry. & E2 2	7796	27	27%	+ %
	U. H. Fidelity, 10		10214		- 1
	Wayland Oll		3	314	+ 14
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\$1,000	Balt, Brick 5s 7	5	75	25	

### BALTIMORE SECURITIES

Bought-Sold-Quoted

GOPDON P. PAINE & CO. Members Baltimore Keyser Building,

**AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE** 

Vandergrift & Brown, 43 Cedar Street, New York.

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last. Ch'go
5,000	Balt, Sp. Pt. 41/28 94	94	94
6,000	Balt, Trac. 5s,100	100	100
1,000	C, of B, 4s, 51 9614	9655	9614
1.000	C. of B. 4s, 51 961/2 C. of B. 4s, 58 961/2	9614	961/2
4,000	C. of B. 4s, 61 961/2	9614	9014
	C. of B. 31/48., 91	91	91
	Con. Coal 6s 103	103	103
	Con. Gas 5s100	100	100
	Con. Gas 41/4s, 90	90	90 1
	Con. P. 6s, n. 9814	97%	081/4
	Con. Pow. 4148 86%	86%	86%
	Con. P. 5s, n. 96	95%	95%
	Cosden 6s, A., 90%	90	90 - 3
	Cosden 6s, B., 92%	9.2	92 - 1
	Elk. Corp. 6s., 97	97	97
	Elk. Coal 5s., 99%	99%	99% + 3
1,000	F. & C. Tr. 5s 99	99	- 99 1
	Ga. & Ala. 5s 9616	961/2	961/2 - 3
	Md. S. 4s, '28 99	99	99
	Mt. Ver. nts. 107%	100%	100%
	U.R. & E.1st4s 79%	79%	79%
25,000	U. B. & E.		
	inc. 4460	59%	60 + 3
	U.R.&E.fd.5s 83	83	83
2,000	W., B. & A.5s 831/2	83%	8314

### St. Louis

	K7 A 525-43-12			
				Net
Sales.	High.	Low.	Last. C	h'ge.
100	Am. Bakery 11	11	11	**
160	Bank of Com. 115	114%	114%	- 1/6
18		50		
18	Brock. H. pf 100	100	100	
121	Cer't'd 47	46	47	
85	Chi. Ry. eq1101/2	108%	108%	- 11/4
10	Inter, Shoe 99	99	99	**
1,300	Grant. Bi-M 711/4	.65	.71% -	1114
72	F. I. W. pf102	101%	101%	**
16	Hydraulic 12	12	12	
5	Lac. G. pf 94	94	- 04	**
420	Nat. Candy 3414	311%	341/4	+ 1%
5	Rice-S. 2d pf. 1031/2	1031/4	1031/2	
10	Union Ry 6	6	6	**
120	Un. Ry. pf 201/2	2014	201/9	**
	BONDS			
\$1,000	Cass. Av. & F.			
	G. 4½s 95¼	9514	9514	* *
1,000	Kinloch 6s102	102	102	
	Lac. G. 100 Sa. 991/4	991/4	991/4	
	Mo. Edison 5e. 97%	97%	97%	+ 36
77,000	Un. Rys. 4s 50	581/2	58%	- 16

### MARINE NATIONAL BANK

OF BUFFALO, N. Y.

Two Hundred and Forty-Seventh Statement (Condensed), September 11th, 1917

# RESOURCES Demand Loans - \$16,272,104.44 Time Loans - - 18,595,941.13 U. S. Bonds - - 6,625 250.00 Bonds & Securities 19,818,105,14 Bonds & Securities 19,818,195.14 Reserve for Taxes - 110,000.00

Real Estate - - 1,510,000.00 Circulation - - - 4,436,292.50 Deposits (Net) - - 62,640.362.80

\$77,250,261.43 \$77,250,261.43

 Deposits, Sept. 2d, 1915
 . . \$47,213,713.15

 Deposits, Sept. 12th, 1916
 . . 57,147,241 93

 Deposits, Sept. 11th, 1917
 . . 62,640,362 80

OFFICERS
JOHN L. CLAWSON, Vice-President
ANSON C. GOODYEAR, Vice-President
HENRY J. AUER, Vice-President
ENEL DIFFINE. Cashier

### Distant Fields Feel War's **Effects**

### Strontium Mining and Salt Industry Among Those to Fatten on Battle Needs

ONE of the most interesting features of war's influence on the United States has been the effect on various little known branches of the mining industry. The immensely stimulating effect of war prices on the great mining staples and the expansion they have brought about in the production of steel, copper, zinc, lead, &c., are an old story now. In the lesser mining enterprises the war has had an even greater proportional effect, amounting in some instances to the creation of an entire new industry, or an entirely new branch of an existing industry, but most of these have attracted little public attention.

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One of the most remarkable instances is that of the war-created development of strontium mines in the United States. Strontium, before the war, was an inconspicuous member of the group of minor metals of which magnesium and barium were better known. Magnesium had won a place for itself through the faculty of its salts to burn with an intense white flame which made it the principal constituent of flashlight powder. Strontium salts burn as vividly as magnesium, but with an intense and unmistakable crimson glare. They had been employed, more or less experimentally, by German scientists in processes for refining beet sugar, but before the war almost the sole use of the metal was in the manufacture of fireworks. The vivid crimson flame of strontium salts has formed the essential part of many a Fourth of July cele-tration, and has been used in making signal flares for ships and emergencies of railroading.

The fireworks business, however, was not

tremendously important one in America, and nearly all the strontium it required was imported. Geologists had discovered immense deposits of the gray, white, or yellowish crystals of celestite and strontianthe two commonest strontium eres in Arizona and California, and other considerable deposits had been located in Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia, and in several counties of New York, notably Cayuga, Herkimer, and Schoharie, more than twenty years ago. Some attempts had been made to develop these deposits commercially, but the high cost of production, transportation charges, and limited demand had caused them all to be abandoned. About 2,000 short tons of strontium ore were employed in the fireworks business in the United States in 1914, and practically none of it was domestic.

#### FIREWORKS FOR WAR

Then the war broke over Europe; the German hosts swept down through Belgium toward Paris, were beaten back at the Marne, and settled down into the long deadlock along the Aisne. Trench warfare began its monotonous course along the 200 miles from Switzerland to the sea. taneously there went up from both sides an insistent demand for strontium fireworks-not for entertainment, but for grim necessity—star shells, red signal rockets, Very signals, all the flaring lights that come and go every night from trench to trench with the progress of the battle. Moreover, out along the gray reaches of the North Sea, down in the Mediterranean and the Adriatic, where the allied scouts and destroyers kept their nightwatches, strontium was needed to help them, in ach quantities as were never used before. fireworks factories, like better-known war brides, began running night and day, and the price of strontium salts began to rise. Then came the sub-marine campaign, and no ship could trust herself within many a long sea-mile of the coast of Europe without a goodly equipment of strontium flares.

Strontium nitrate, the commonest form in which the metal is used, climbed upward in price, month by month, to 10, 15, 20 cents a pound, and enterprising men began to look over the huge de-posits in the West, stake out claims, and start a few tentative ore shipments East. The ore proved of good quality, the price continued to rise, and prospectors began to turn up new strontium de-posits in Oregon and Washington. In 1916 the price of strontium nitrate moved up from 22 cents to 50 cents a pound, and averaged around 33 cents, while chemically pure strontium carbonate sold at from 45 to 50 cents. Nearly twice as much strontium ore was consumed in 1916 as in 1914, and of the total, for the first time, domestic ore formed

The salt industry was well established in the United States before the war, but the last three years have seen the development, directly due to war conditions, of several increasingly important and highly interesting allied or branch industries et the salt mines. One of the most interesting of these has been the manufacture of bromine as a by-product in the refining of salt from brine, to-gether with chlorine, and of calcium chloride again as a by-product of these. Bromine was used before the war in dissolving gold; bromide of silver was used in photography, and potassium bromide in medicine. The latter two of these uses have been increased by the war, but a much greater and grimmer development has been the use of bromine and chlorine in the deadly asphyxiating gases which creep out on the light breezes and sink smotheringly down into the enemy's trenches.

### October Maturities

### STEAM RAILROADS

	Mortgag	ges and	Debentures
e noton	Lowell de	b. 4s	
wa Falls	& Sioux	City 1st	7s
aleigh &	Southport	gen. g.	68

Raleigh & Southport gen. g. 68	110,000
St. Paul & Duluth 2d 5s	2,000,000
Total	\$5,172,000
Equipment Trusts	
Bangor & Aroostook 5s, Series E	\$13,000
Boston & Albany 41/2s of 1912	500,000
Canadian Northern 43/48, Series C1	110,000
Do 5s, Series K1	105,000
Do 41/28, Series D1	175,000
Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio. 5s, Series E	13,000
Do Loco, 5s	12,500
Chesapeake & Ohio, Series A. L. Co	:132,967
Chlcago & Alton 5s, Series G	72,000
Chicago & Ill. Midland, Haskell & Barker 5s	4,284
Do, do	3,817
Do, Am. Car & Foundry 58	3,922
Do, do	4,195
Chicago, Ind. & Louisville 41/28, Series D	38,000
Chicago & Northwestern 41/28 of 1912, Series B	300,000
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific 41/2s, Series C.	265,000
Chicago, Terre H. & S. E. 5s	40,000
Cin., Ind. & Louisville 5s, Series B	:12,000
Denver & Salt Lake, Pullman eq. 5s	12,664
Detroit, Toledo & Ironton 6s	50,000
Erie 5s, Series N	152,000
Do 5s, Series O	50,000
Guantanamo & Western 6s	14,000
Huntington & Broad Top Mt. 41/2, 16th series.	17,000
Illinois Central 41/28, Series C	99,000
Int. & Gt. Nor. Gs, Guaranty Trust ctfs	19,000
Iowa Central 5s, Series B	15,000
Lehigh Valley 412s, Series L	200,000
Michigan Central 5s of 1915	300,000
Minn. & St. L., Am. Loco. 6s	6,250
Do 5s, Series B	18,000
Minn., St. P., & S. S. M. 49/28, Series B	61,000
Nat. Railways of Mexico 5s, 2d series	50,000
N. Y., Ontario & Western 41/28, Series A	36,000
Do, Series D	35,000
Northwestern of So. Carolina g. 5s	2,500
Oklahoma Railway 6s	20,000
Pere Marquette, Pullman Co. 5s, Series A.	64,000
Do, do, Series B	68,000
Rutland 4½s of 1962	100,000
Do 5s, Series S	133,000
St. Louis Southwestern 5s, Series E	74,000
Savannah & Northwestern 5s. Series E	85,000
Southern Railway 5s, Series S	215,000
Texas Short Line 6s	215,000
Tol., St. L. & W., freight car 5s	12,626
Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific 6s, Series B.	1,638
Total	
	Park 1/4 807 8 8708
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### PUBLIC UTILITIES

THE PARTY WILL TACKET OF	
Caney River Gas 1st 6s	\$50,000
Central Illinois Utilities 1st 6s	10,000
Citizens' El. L. & P. 1st 6s	3,000
Citizens' Gas, El. & H. 6s	4,000
Citizens' W. W. 1st & 2d 5s & 61/4s Quincy, Ill.)	12,000
Des Moines Street Railroad 1st 6s	25,000
Laconia Water 1st 5s	14,100
Manchester El. Light 1st 5s	250,000
Manufacturers' Light & Heat col. tr. Gs	140,000
Mexico Power 1st serial 6s	10,000
Milton Light & Power 1st 5s	20,000
Milwaukee Coke & Gas 1st 5s	30,000
Minn. & Ont. Power 1st ser. 6s	200,000
Muskogee Gas 1st 6s	10,000
Pitts. & W. Va. Gas ser. col. tr. 6s	150,000
Reedy River Power 1st 5s	15,000
Sabine Tram. 1st 5s	14,000
Sacramento Gas 1st ser. 6s	5,000
South Penn Tel. & Tel. 1st ser. 6s	1,500
Star Telephone 1st 6s	2,000
Trenton Passenger Railway 1st 6s	15,000
West Virginia & Maryland Gas 1st 6s	150,000
Worcester & Murlboro 1st 5s	200,000
Total	\$1,344,100
Equipment Trusts	
Cincinnati Tract. 6s, Series A	\$10,000
Do 5s, Series D	17,000
Connecticut Co. 5s, Series A	41,000
Consolidated Traction 5s	25,000
Hudson & Manhattan, car trust 5s, Series B.	25,000
West Side Belt 5s, Series B	75,000
Total	\$193,000
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New Jersey Power & Light 6s	\$100,000

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INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOU	S
Mortgages and Debentures	
Alaculsy Lumber 1st 6s	\$37,500
Alger Sullivan Lumber 1st 5s	150,000
Autocar Co. Ist serial 5s	125,000
Bagdad Sand & Lumber 1st serial Gs	40,000
Boston-Virginia Transp. 1st eq. 68	30,000
Boyle Ice 1st serial 6s	12,000
Calaveras Copper deb. 6s	5,000
Canadian Puget Sound Lumber 1st & ref. 6s	175,000
Central Commercial Co. 1st eq. 6s	8,000
Central Petroleum 1st col. 6s	120,000
Champion Lumber 1st ser. Gs	59,000
Chesapeake S. S. eq. 1st 5s, 1912	30,000
Chest. Creek Land & Imp. 1st 48	12,000
Choctaw Lumber 1st 6s	30,000
City Ice Delivery (Cleve., Ill.) 1st ser, Gs	25,000
Coastwise Transp. 1st 5s, Str. "Middlesex "	10,000
Do, Str. "Plymouth"	11,250
Continental Paper 1st 6s	32,000
Crompton & Knowles Loom Works deb. 6s.,	100,000
Crowell & Thurlow S. S. 1st 6s	15,00
Dickinson Co. (Albert) 1st 6s	50,00
East Coast Transp. 1st 5s, Str. "Wm. O'Brien"	12,000
Fort William Coal Dock 1st 6s	30,00
General Necessities 1st 6s	15,00
General Refractories 1st ser. 68	25,000
Gt. Southern Lumber 1st ser. 6s	140,000
Green (A. P.) Fire Brick 1st ser. 69	12,000
Hockley-Pholos-Ronnell Let Se	95 000

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Green (A. P.) Fire Brick 1st ser. 6s.
Hockley-Phelps-Bonnell 1st 6s.
Hall Signal Co. 1st ext. 6s.
Harper Transp. serial 6s.
Heine Safety Boller ser. g. 6s.
Hotel Sherman 1st 6s.
Indian Refining 1st ser. 6s.
Indian Refining 1st ser. 6s.
Indian Itotel 1st 5s.
Judith Land 1st 6s.
Laguna Co. 6s.
Laguna Co. 6s.
Lewiston Land & Water ref. 7s.
Lexington Hydraulic & Mfg. 1st 5s.
Luckenbach 1st mar. eq. 6s.
Mackinac Transportation 1st 5s.
Miller (Frank P.) Paper 1st ser. 6s.
Naturale Cranberry 6s.
Naturia Development 1st 6s.
New River & Poca, Consol Coal ser. eq. 5s.
Northern Transportation 1st mar. eq. 6s.
Northwestern Iron 1st ser. 6s.
Pacific Lumber 1st 6s.
Penn. Bridge 1st & Fef. 6s.
Peoples' Coal 1st 6s.
Stewart (James) & Co. 6s. mar. eq.
Do. do.
Struthers Furnace 1st & col. 6s.
Thomas (N.) Brewing g. 5s.
Total

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Startlett Hayward 1st 5s	\$850,000
Butler Brothers 5s	135,000
Procter & Gamble serial 5s	2,500,000
Terminal Freezing & H. col. tr. 6s	15.000
Westinghouse E. & Mfg. 5s	9.790.000
Westmoreland Coal serial as	200,000
Total	\$6,420,000
Total all	\$8,848,000

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### DIVIDENDS DECLARED, AWAITING PAYMENT

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Duluth E. E.pf.11/2	Q	Oct.	Sep. 21
Eisenlohr & B.			
pf	Q	Oct.	Sep. 20
El. Securities2		Oct. 1	*Sep. 29
Do pf11/4	Q	Nov. 1	Oct. 22
Fairanks, M. &			
Co	Q	Sep. 25	Sep. 19
Gold & S. Tel. 119	Q	Oct. 1	
Gorham M. pf.112	Q	Oct. 1	Sep. 22
Granby C. M.,			
S. & P21/2	Q	Nov. 1	
Harrisb L. & P.21/2	-	Sep. 27	
Do pf	Q	Sep. 29	
Hendee Mf. pf.1%	Q	Oct. 1	
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Do pf134	Q			"Sep.	20
Hupp Motor pf.1%	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	20
Interstate S. S.2	Q		1	Sep.	
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Kan.G. & E.pf.1%	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	21
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Kresge (S. S.) Co. pf134	0	0.4		400	+16X
Co. pt	Q	Oct.		*Sep.	20
Lanc, G.L. & F.2	Q	Sep.		*Sep.	20
	Q	Oct.		Sep.	29
Lib. Bureau pf.2	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	20
McA. & Forbes.21/2	Q	Oct.		Sep.	30
McA. & Forbes. 11/4 I		Oct.	1.5	*Sep.	30
Do pf11/2	Q	Oct.		*Sep.	30
Man., M. & M.11/2	Q	Sep.	29	Sep.	29
Mass. Ltg25c	Q	Oct.	15	Sep.	25
De pf\$1.50		Oct.	15	Sep.	25
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Mathieson Alk. 116	Q	Oct.		"Sep. 20
Do pf184	(2	Oct.	1	*Sep. 20
McCrory St. pf.1%	Q	Oct.	1	*Sep. 20
Mexican Tel21.	()	Oct.	16	"Sep. 29
Mich. Light pf. 114	Q	Oct.	1	*Sep. 15
Mtg. Bond132	Q	Sep.	253	Sep. 22
Motor Prod\$1	Q	Oct.	1	Sep. 22
Narrag, El. L. \$1	Q	Oct.	1	*Sep. 15
Nat. Fuel Gas.214	(2	Oct.	15	Sep. 29
N. E. T. & T. 1%	Q	Sep.	29	Sep. 19
Niag. F. Pwr. 2	Q	Oct.	15	Sep. 29
Nova S. S. & C.2	Q	Oct.	15	*Sep. 29
Ogilvie F. M., 21/2	Q	Oct.	1	Sep. 25
Ogilvie F. M15	4	Oct.	1	Sep. 25
Pac. T. & T.pf.11/2	Q	Oct.	13	Sep. 29
Pan A. deb. pf.114	Q	Oct.	1	*Sep. 21
l'enmans1	Q	Nov.	15	Nov. 5
Do pf114	Q	Nov.	1	Oct. 20
Pitts. P. G. pf.1%	Q	Oct.	1	Sep. 15
Prairie P. L	Q		31	*Sep. 29
	Ex.	Oct.	31	°Sep. 29
Proc. & G. pf2	Q	Oct.	15-	Sep. 22
Prov. Gas \$1	Q	Oct.	1	Sep. 20
Frov. Tel\$1	Q	Sep.	29	Sep. 20
Rec Motor 25e	Q	Oct.	1	Sep. 15

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Riordan P.& P.1%	0	Sep.	30	Sen	121
St.J., R.M.& P. 16	Q	Oct.	10	Sep.	
Shattuck-Ariz50c	6	Oct.	20	Sep.	
Shattuck-Ariz. 75e	Ex.	Oct.	20	Sep.	25
Simp. C. C. pr.1%	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	21
Steel Co. of C119	0	Nov	. 1	Oct.	15
Do pf	Q	Nov	. 1	Oct.	13
Tono, M. or N.15e	Q	Oct.	20	Sep.	130
Torrington Co.75c	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	240
Torrington Co.25c	Ex.	Oct.	1	Sep.	226
Trumbull Steel. 113	Q	Sep.	20	Sep.	20
Trumbull Steel.2	Ex.		30	Sep.	20
Do pf1%	Q	Sep.	30	Sep.	28
U. S. I. Alc. pf.1%	Q	Oct.	15	"Oct.	1
Vacuum Oil3		Oct.	29	Oct.	1.5
Warren Bros50c	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	284
Do 1st pf75c	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	22
Do 2d pf 8746c	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	* 3× 3
Western Elec. \$2	Q	Sep.	29	*Sep.	22
Do pr114	Q	Sep.	29	*Sep.	22
Westm'd Coal\$2	Q	Oct.	1	Sep.	18
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Am. pf4	Service	Oct.	1	Sep.	21
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### Light Crop Movement Hampers Northwest

### But the Section Is Prosperous and the Delay of Renewed Activity Only Temporary

Special Correspondence of The Annalist MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 22.

WITH every banker, railroad executive, manufacturer, and wholesale or country retail mer-chant desirous that the crop of the Northwest be turned into money, the present factor of prime in-terest is the light movement of produce from the farms to market since the new-crop year opened Sept. 1. It was quite confidently expected that by this time a much greater portion of the crop would bave been liquidated, with consequent loosening-up effect all along the line. However, the whole Northwest is prosperous, and it is the general expectation that business activities of record proportions The crop has been raised, the wherewith to liquidate debt is in hand, and the purchasing power that such unconverted resources represents is great.

Nevertheless, at the moment the delay in the crop liquidating process has affected the whole business structure to some extent, not adversely in the permanent sense, but temporarily preventing the increased activity that the coming to harvest time of a high-priced crop ought naturally to

Bankers here who watch the New York stock market as an index have been sorely puzzled of late to make it out. It is hard to make a local banker or business man see why Soo stock, for example, paying 7 per cent., should sell at 96; Northern Pacific, paying 7 per cent., at 98 or 99; Twin City Rapid Transit Company, a steady dividend payer, at 85 or thereabout, and Great Northern, the stock of the late James J. Hill, that always stood and still stands so high locally as collateral, should sell near par. New York may see in the legis-lation in Washington some serious import. The Northwest also sees the seriousness of the taxation measures, and there are some men of large fargo, Sioux Falls, and Helena look upon these things as abnormal and due to right themselves forme day. That the United States is going to win some day. the war is the conviction out here, as it is the confident belief that the country is rich enough for finance the war and still keep business healthy. Yet stocks are far out of line. It is especially impressive in view of the fact that the solicitation campaign for the Liberty Loan soon will be on.

The Liberty Loan in the Ninth Federal Reserve District is going to be pushed this time with vigor. The Ninth District did not measure up last time, its allotment of \$80.000.000 being reached only to the extent of \$67,000,000, although some later subscriptions, following the official date of close of the campaign, made it a little bigger. But this time the district is going to make good. If the district allotment is \$100.000.000, it will raise the money. The plan of organization is that there shall be a Chairman, probably a Minneapolis man. He will head an executive committee of five, consisting of two Minneapolis, two St. Paul, and one Duluth who will be representative business men of their cities. Every State in the district will have its own State Chairman, and every such State Chairman will be an associate member of the committee. Governor Theodore Wold of the Reserve Bank and Reserve Agent John H. Rich also will be associate members. This group of men will do the work.

Last time the weak spot was North Dakota. ere were two adverse influences at work. One was the activities of a political element that is al-lied to La Follettism and is semi-socialistic in character, disposed to find fault with the war. This

same element now is contending that the price of \$2.20 in Chicago and \$2.17 in Minneapolis for No. 1 Northern wheat, fixed as the basic price by the Government, is unfair, and at a meeting in St. Paul this week advocated the "confiscation of other prof its, as industrial and commercial war gains, now that the Government has confiscated the farmers war profit."

The other element of difficulty that was met last time was the fact that the farmers had havily extended themselves to plant a big wheat acreage in response to the Government's plea in April last that this be done. Many had borrowed from their bankers to buy seed and pay for the labor of breaking land. Their plea was poverty when they were asked to buy bonds. They cannot make that plea again, consistently, at least in the major part of the State, for the crops are good and prices high, and they have the money or the equivalent of the

There is a surface appearance of prosperity and activity in the cities and towns of the Northwest that cannot but arise from conditions fundamentally sound. This is commented on by traveling salesmen and others who visit the cities periodically. It is to be noted in Minneapolis and St. Paul, as in the smaller places out here. There are welldressed crowds in the streets, the theatres are well patronized, the restaurants and other smaller establishments are busy, and the department stores report Fall business active. There are efforts at economy being made, in line with what is being preached, but, although nearly every merchant here says there are evidences of it in some lines, the total volume of trade nevertheless is heavier than ever.

### Grain Statistics

#### Receipts, Exports and Supply

WESTERN RECEIPTS OF GRAIN
Wheat,
Bushels.
6,485,000 2,483,000
week 5,476,000 1,503,000
6. 10,773,000 4,328,000 Oats. July 1 Nov. 1
This year. 47,966,000 193,394,000
Last year. 117,317,000 213,437,000

### WEEK'S NORTH AMERICAN EXPORTS

	Wheat,	Corn,	Oats,			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.			
Last week	5,541,000	389,000	1,675,000			
Previous week	3,802,000	442,000	1,603,000			
Week 1916	5,967,000	585,000	2,265,000			
Since July 1:						
This year	52,469,000	7,286,000	25,567,000			
Last year	95,852,000	15,381,000	36,879,000			
Same 1915	57,791,000	3,136,000	15,696,000			
VISIBLE SUPPLY						

United States: Last week Previous week Week 1916	5,680,000	Corn. Bushels. 1,936,000 3,127,000 3,742,000	Oats, Bushels, 10,818,000 8,967,000 34,231,000
Canadian: Last week Previous week Week 1916			

World's total-No compilation; European figures not

#### Future and Cash Prices-Chicago

WHEAT-NO QUOTATIONS CORN

	Dec		—Мау.—		No. 3 White.		
		High	. Low.	High	Low.	High.	Low.
Sept.	17	1.16	1.14%	1.131/2	1.11%		
Sept.	18	1.18%	1.151/4	1.15%	1.12%		
Sept.	. 19	1.19%	1.17%	1.161/2	1.141/4		
Sept.	20	1.201/4	1.18%	1.17	1.15%	2.11	2.11
	21		1.17%	1.15%	1.14%		
	22		1.16%	1.15	1.13%	2.10	2.10
	d's range.		1.14%	1.17	1.11%	2.11	2.10
			OA	TS.			
		-Se	pt.—	D	ec	Cash.	St'da
		High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Sept.	17	5814	56%	5714	56%	59%	57%
Sept.	18	59%	58	5814	57	60%	59%
	19		58%	58%	5746	61	601/4
Sept.	20	60%	5934	58%	5884	62	6114
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### Grain

### Great Corn Crop at Hand Makes Price Settlement a Topic of Earnest Discussion

A GREAT corn crop is virtually at hand. Recent weather conditions have been favorable and if there is no damaging frost the next week or so, immense production will have been reached. There are at present very good chances for a corn crop this year of about 3,200,000,000 bushels and in the event of ordinarily favorable weather the next ten days the amount of merchantable corn might exceed 2,700,000,000 bushels.

Last year the entire crop was 2,584,000,000 bushels; the previous record crop was in 1912, when there was a production of 3,124,000,000 bushels, including about 2,600,000,000 bushels of merchantable

The question of the prices for this big cro being earnestly discussed. In the last few days the markets have not fluctuated much. The futures at Chicago have been ranging from \$1.15 to \$1.20, held down to some extent by the knowledge that the crop is maturing better than was expected and by the fact that the Directors of the Chicago Board of Trade do not expect to remove the minimum prices of corn futures of \$1.28 until October, if at that time. This question of maximum prices will be officially taken up.

As against this basis for corn futures, premiums

for spot corn stand out prominently. A York good corn is about \$2.25 a bushel. Western markets range from \$2 to \$2.20 a bushel. The movement of the new crop corn from the Southern States is increasing and the corn for next month's shipment has been quoted at around \$1.50 a bushel.

Whether the premium for cash corn will go down to the level of futures depends largely on th weather conditions in the gathering of the crop. If the weather is cool so as to enable the crop to dry quickly and the roads are in good shape for hauling, the movement might easily be of proportions large enough to affect prices considerably.

The holding disposition of farmers is, of course, to be considered. At this time the stocks of corn on farms are very light and the farmer is receiving better than \$2 a bushel in some sections. When it comes to selling new crop corn, therefore, at \$1.25 a bushel to \$1.35, there might be some dissatisfaction expressed, especially as the farmers are willing to feed high-priced corn to hogs, which are near their highs of \$20 a hundred pounds at leading centres. The fact remains that farmers are hardly in a position to hold all their principal crops. To this the selling of wheat has been under expectations. Likewise, the oats selling has been slow, despite the fact that the oats production is about 1.600,000,-000 bushels, against 1,251,000,000 last year.

The flour market here has not keenly felt the increased movement of wheat as yet and flour on spot is still commanding good premiums.

The mills at the Northwest and Southwest have increased their flour outputs, with grinding at many sections close to the maximum. In time this heavy grinding will relieve the shortage of sup-plies complained of at numerous consuming points. It is becoming more evident that the congested situation cannot be laid to the Government control plans, however, as it is quite a task quickly to relieve a situation that has been forming for the last few months, due to flour buyers holding off for their supplies, awaiting the fixed prices, while farmers found an urgent demand for all the early wheat they had to sell.

As the farmers finish their Fall work in the fields and the mills catch up with their urgent orders for flour the supply and distribution problem of the Food Administration Corporation is expected to be handled with less difficulty and fewer complaints. fewer complaints.

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